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## ROME, BERLIN MOSCOW RAPPROCHEMENT RUMOURS FOUND BASELESS

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Telegraph's Berlin correspondent says that it is clear that the preparatory conversations for a new Russo-German contact is not proceeding smoothly.

He adds: "The chief obstacle is apparently the question of Soviet guarantees for Rumania and Turkey to form a basis of rapprochement between Russia and Italy. Moscow seems disinclined to abandon its ambitions in the Balkans even for a limited period."

The correspondent further declares that a complete change has come over the Nazi press. Whereas last week, the newspapers resounded with cries of a "new Europe" to be created by closer co-operation between Germany, Italy and Russia, not a single word is now said on this subject.

Only last Saturday, Wilhelmstrasse spokesmen were indicating that a visit from M. Molotov was imminent but now, when questioned, they merely refer to the Soviet denial concerning such a visit.

Italian lack of enthusiasm over the German statements about Berlin, Moscow, Rome triangle has not escaped notice in Berlin.

Particular attention was attracted by the Rome Wireless denial of the rumours that an Italian mission would commence negotiations with Moscow and then there was the Italian Ambassador's visit to the Quai d'Orsay and the French Ambassador's visit to the Rome Foreign Office.



DR. RISTO RYTII

## RYTI RETAINS FINNISH PREMIERSHIP

HELSINKI, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—As anticipated, the Finnish Government resigned when Parliament met today and a new Ministry formed in which Dr. Risto Rytty retains the Premiership.

Role Witting is Foreign Minister and M. Tanner, former Foreign Minister, becomes Minister for Public Welfare.

## INFORMATION MINISTERS TO CONFER

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The French Minister of Information is shortly visiting London to confer with the British Minister of Information, Sir John Reith.

## FIGHTING AROUND SUNWUI: CHINESE CLAIM SUCCESS IN BATTLE OF WUYUAN

SHUING, MAR. 27 (CENTRAL).—A THOUSAND JAPANESE TROOPS FROM SUNWUI AND MUKCHOW ADVANCED SOUTHWARD ON MARCH 25 AND WERE ENGAGED BY THE CHINESE AT TASHAHU. FIGHTING IS REPORTED TO BE STILL IN PROGRESS.

Early this morning a clash took place near Wongtung, about ten miles upstream from Samshui on the North River, between a Japanese unit pushing northward and Chinese troops intercepting it. The Japanese were defeated and retired to Samshui.

## STANDINGS IN CANADA ELECTIONS

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The state of the Parties in the general election, at 8 a.m. B.S.T., was Liberals 186, National Government 33, others 20, and doubtful 26.

In a broadcast, Mr. Mackenzie King said that he was relieved and proud that the Canadian people had shown the other parts of the Empire that it is possible for Canada to carry through a general election in wartime without impairing the united war effort of a united country.

He added: "You have seen, with clear eyes, the great issues. The result is proof that you felt that a vigorous and united war effort by a united Canada is necessary not only to aid Britain and France in the struggle to preserve freedom in Europe but also essential to preserve true freedom in our land."

## EASY VICTORIES

All the Ministers had easy victories except Mr. Mackenzie, Minister for Pensions, who had only a narrow majority.

Mr. Murdoch Macpherson, runner-up to Dr. Manion for leadership of the Conservative Party, was defeated as well as Dr. Manion himself. The Conservatives have thus lost two of their principal leaders.

The Liberal gains include a number of seats won from Alberta's Social Credit Party.

The latest state of the Parties is Liberals 172, National Government 37, others 22, still doubtful 11.

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PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The War Communique issued today states that there is nothing to report.

## SOVIET ENVOY RECALLED FROM FRANCE

### DEMARCHE TO MOSCOW

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Soviet Ambassador in Paris has been recalled.

The first intimation of the fact was made in a Tass Agency statement in which it is stated that he was being recalled at the request of the French Government as he was no longer considered a persona grata in Paris.

The reason for his recall is stated to have been caused by an expression used by him in a telegram to M. Stalin on the occasion of the Russo-Finnish Peace Treaty in which he referred to French war-mongers to which the French Government strongly objected as an intrusion in internal politics.

The French Radio stated that it does not matter that the cable was never sent, owing to the vigilance of the French, but it was the intention of the message that counts. It is added that the case is not political.

### FIRM INTENTION

A Reuter message from Paris states that the demarche in Moscow resulting in the recall of the Soviet Ambassador, M. Souris, is interpreted here as indicating France's firm intention of seeing that her rights are respected.

France, it is pointed out, maintains and desires to maintain good relations with all neutral Powers but she will not tolerate acts that are really directed against her but committed under the cloak of neutrality.

Russia has throughout the war claimed the advantages of neutrality and these have granted, despite the successive agreements Russia has signed with Germany. Normal relations have been maintained, but France does not intend to be fooled.

The Ambassador's telegram to M. Stalin when the Soviet-Finnish Peace Treaty was signed is regarded as containing an expression inadmissible from a diplomat.

The French Government's immediate and energetic reaction is solely in the international sphere, but it is linked with the various measures taken recently to suppress all internal activities harmful to the Allied cause.

## Polish Professors' Pitiful Plight

Special to H.K. Daily Press

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Havas).—The Polish Information Office here has issued a report revealing the pitiful plight of Polish schools and professors since the Nazi occupation.

The report describes the indiscriminate destruction of schools and universities bringing to nought not only the work of the past 22 years but of the previous decades.

The teaching bodies of almost all universities suffered considerable losses, and many teachers have been arrested and put in concentration camps for an indefinite period while others have been summarily shot.

The buildings of the Polytechnic School of Warsaw have been completely destroyed and the University of Warsaw, founded in 1818 and one of the largest in the world, has been desecrated by the war.

Among the professors executed are Dr. Lutostanski, eminent jurist, Dr. Konopacki, Professor of the Medical School, and Dr. Golabek, distinguished racial expert.

## ITALIAN MASTER HONoured

MALTA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—A wonderful piece of seamanship which enabled a small Maltese sailing ship to rescue six persons from a wrecked British airliner in December was commemorated today by a presentation by the Governor, Lt.-Gen. Sir Charles Bonham-Carter, D.S.O., of a gold watch to Captain Romand, Italian master of the ship Giuseppe Padre.

The rescue occurred in darkness and in a stormy sea off Sicily and has been described as the "achievement of an almost impossible act."

## NEWCASTLE OIL TANKER SUNK

### CAPTAIN AMONG DROWNED

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Sixteen members of the crew of the Newcastle oil tanker Daghestan (5,742 tons), sunk in the North Sea on Sunday night, were landed at a town in north-east Scotland.

When the vessel went down the men took to the boats, one of which overturned, and the Captain and three men were drowned.

### RAMMED IN ATLANTIC

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Thirty-six officers and men of the Rossington Court which was rammed in the Atlantic on March 13 by an oil tanker were landed at a south coast port today.

There was no loss of life when the accident happened but the crew of the Rossington Court had no time to collect their belongings. The Captain got away only with the ship's papers and his hat.

## NO SLACKENING IN RECRUITING IN S. AFRICA

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—It is announced in London that recruiting in South Africa, after six months of the war, has not slackened.

The Botha Regiment, named after the Union's first President, has been brought to two battalions up to war strength since September and a third battalion is being formed.

The Imperial Light Horse, one of the most popular of Johannesburg's regiments, has also started a third battalion.

Eight thousand South Africans are actually serving with His Majesty's forces and are divided fairly equally between the Navy, Army and Air Force.

## "DIVIDING THE WORLD BETWEEN THEM"

### Indictment Against U.S. And Carl Zeiss Firms

NEW YORK, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—An indictment charging the Bausch Lomb Optical Company, of Rochester, and the Carl Zeiss Company, of Germany, with "dividing the world between them," for the sale of military optical instruments, and thus restraining trade in violation of the Anti-Trust Laws, has been returned by the Federal Grand Jury.

The United States Attorney, Mr. Isseks, stated that the companies made a secret agreement in 1921 whereby the American company exclusively served America and the German company the rest of the world.

Consequently, the American company refused to sell periscopes, range-finders, gun-sights, bomb-sights, etc., to foreign governments or American shipyards, building for foreign governments, unless the German firm consented and agreed to the price.

The indictment further claims that the American company charged unreasonably high prices to purchasers, including the United States Government.

## WARM ALLIED APPROVAL OF REYNAUD'S BROADCAST: "HIS CALL TO FRANCE HAS RING OF LEADERSHIP" SAYS TELEGRAPH

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The morning press reflects the deep impression made by the Premier, M. Reynaud's broadcast.

L'Epoque says: "We will abandon M. Reynaud tomorrow if we consider him wrong but let us give him credit today."

Figaro writes: "M. Reynaud addressed the nation in sober, energetic and determined language and he impressed on us to what extent every Frenchman's effort is necessary to secure victory."

Le Jour and Echo de Paris describe the speech as a brave language which Frenchmen can hear, accept and approve if they are convinced that those governing them are animated by the same spirit of total abnegation and sacrifices equally shared.

L'Ouvre states that M. Reynaud's clear and moving speech was a perfect answer to the Hitlerian propaganda which seeks to exhibit France as a nation weakened by internal discord.

British Wireless says the speech by M. Reynaud has been received with warm approval in London.

The Daily Telegraph says, "M. Reynaud spoke as a statesman less concerned to calculate votes than to represent the spirit of France. He took the tone of a leader who, asked what his policy was, would reply, like his famous predecessor, 'I wage war.' A government of national union, or some ministerial expression of profound unity of the French people in the conflict, is what he looks forward to and will work for. So much he made plain."

### SOLE PURPOSE

"In the composition of the present Ministry he claimed that the sole purpose was to form such a government as would exert the utmost possible strength in action."

"The hour in which we live is decisive—in that conviction he is at one with his predecessor and present colleague, M. Daladier, who, not long ago, called upon civilians, as well as troops, to 'consecrate their whole strength to the service of the French community.'"

The Daily Telegraph concludes, "M. Reynaud's brilliant record in the recovery of French finance proves that he has the qualities of lucidity and daring."

## CROIX DE GUERRE FOR WOMAN

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Made-moiselle Kurtz, ambulance driver, is the first woman to be awarded the Croix de Guerre in the present war.

She was wounded on the Western Front last month.

## TIN PRICE MAY BE RAISED

### BY REDUCTION IN QUOTA

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—As tin is cheaper in terms of dollars than in pre-war years, it is possible that steps may be taken to raise the price by a further reduction in the quota, says the Manchester Guardian city columnist, commenting on the price of the metal.

He points out, while passing, that a setback is expected following the new exchange regulations, for United States buyers could not be restrained for long by having to pay slightly more in dollars for purchases as the bulk of the supplies comes from British territories.

### LIMITED STOCKS

Nevertheless, new buying in the United States has been considerably smaller than the quantities currently used thus indicating that consumers have been using limited stocks, most of which have been bought at the higher prices rather than take advantage of the present cheapness for replacement purchases.

The writer suggests that the only plausible motive for this action is the expectation of a substantial reduction of consumption in the near future.

## MAURETANIA

BALBOA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Cunard liner Mauretania left Balboa this morning for an unknown destination.

## Conversion Of Entire Congress Into "Fighting" Machinery Urged By Gandhi

BOMBAY, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The conversion of the entire Congress into a "fighting" machinery is in effect urged by Mr. Gandhi in an article written for publication in his newspaper, Harijan, on March 30. Mr. Gandhi also orders a nationwide registration of Congressmen willing to suffer imprisonment.

No financial assistance is to be expected by these Satyagraha (passive resistance) prisoners either for themselves or their dependents.

Contentions for registration include cultivation of the spirit of goodwill towards all, abolition of untouchability, and the habitual use of homespun cloth to the exclusion of all substitutes.

Mr. Gandhi's instructions, which as a first definite step in preparation for some form of civil disobedience, lay great stress on the necessity of absolute non-violence.

"I WILL FIGHT"

Mr. Gandhi writes: "I shall not be able to fight so long as we have violence in our midst but I will fight if the proposed register is honest."

He says that he expects the All-India Congress Committee to organise Satyagraha Committee and, if there is enthusiastic response inside a month, it should be possible to forecast the exact period required to put the committees into working order.

He adds: "Non-violent action means the mobilisation of world opinion in our favour. The growing number of thinking men and women are sick of the war spirit and they are longing for a way to peace and looking to India to point the way."

"We cannot have that opinion on our side if we are not honestly non-violent," he concludes.

## EMPIRE MOURNS DEATH OF MR. SAVAGE

### VISIT TO LONDON REMEMBERED

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—News of the death of Mr. M. J. Savage, Prime Minister of New Zealand, was received with regret throughout the Empire.

He had been ill since last August when he underwent a serious operation.

He will be warmly remembered for his first, and only visit, to London in 1937 when he attended the Coronation and later the Imperial Conference.

### KING'S SYMPATHY

WELLINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King, in a message of sympathy concerning the death of Mr. Savage, says: "The loss of Mr. Savage will be mourned throughout the Empire where his services will always be remembered with gratitude."

The Cabinet is remaining in office until after the funeral, which is expected to take place on Mar. 31, after which the Governor-General, Lord Galway, will consult with the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. P. Fraser, concerning the formation of the new Ministry.

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# In the World of Sports

## ANNUAL PRIZE MEETING OF H.K.R.A. OPENS IN BRILLIANT WEATHER

### Over 230 Competitors In Rapid And Snap Shooting

THE FIFTH ANNUAL PRIZE MEETING OF THE HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION, which incorporates the Services' Meeting, opened yesterday at the Kowloon City Rifle Range in brilliant weather and from 8 o'clock in the morning onwards large numbers of competitors would be seen making their way towards the ranges.

Shooting commenced, according to programme, promptly at 9 a.m. The entries for the rapid and snap shooting were so numerous that both ranges were fully occupied to the exclusion of those enthusiasts who were hoping to utilise "B" range in order to get in some practice for the Bisley meeting proper which begins tomorrow.

Over 230 competitors fired in the rapid and snap shooting events and it speaks volumes for the organisation and the work of the supervising officers that in spite of the increase in the number of participants this year, the events were completed in good time on both ranges.

Preliminary heats for the Falling Plate match occupied the remainder of the morning on "A" range, while on "B" range enthusiasts did after all manage to get in about half-an-hour's practice.

#### WELL PATRONISED

The revolver range was very well patronised no less than 182 pool tickets being sold, while 21 competitors entered for the Services Revolver Championship.

Firing commences today on both ranges, with practice and pool, at 9 a.m. followed by the Deliberate Competition at 9.30 a.m. while at 11.30 o'clock the final of the Falling Plate match will be decided.

The Plate match, for which there are 16 entries from the various Regiments in the Colony will commence at 2 p.m. as will also the Services Revolver Team Match.

"The Services Clay Bird Championship will be shot between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 and 4 p.m." Full results of yesterday's shooting are as follows:—

#### Rapid Firing Competition Class "X"

1. L/Sgt. Munn, R.E., 22; 2. Sgt. G. E. Breese, R.N.R.S., 20; 3. Sgt. Bremner, 2/R.S., 19; 4. Cpl. Maghar Singh, H.K.P., 18; 5. R. Jeffrey, R.N.R.S., 18; 6. Sgt. Rushman, R.N.R.S., 18; 7. R.S.M. Maslen, R.E., 17; 8. Sgt. Whippy, 2/R.S., 17; 9. Pte. MacCrae, 1/Seaforth, 17; 10. Pte. MacKenzie, 1/Seaforth, 17; 11. Pte. Scott, 2/R.S., 17; 12. Pte. Phillips, 2/R.S., 17; 13. Pte. Bullen, 2/R.S., 17; 14. Cpl. Ghulam Mohammad, H.K.P.

#### ADVERTISEMENTS

#### HONG KONG LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

The Annual General Meeting will take place in the Registrar's Office, Supreme Court today, Thursday, March 28th at 5.30 p.m.

T. A. PEARCE,  
Hon. Secretary.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held on SATURDAY, 6th April, 1940, (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 28th March, 1940.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

## ANNUAL SPORTS OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE

### Liang Shau - Hong Is Senior Champion

No records were set or broken at the Queen's College twenty-fourth annual sports, held yesterday afternoon at the College Ground Causeway Bay, Mrs. F. J. de Rome presented prizes.

The Senior Championship Cup, presented by Sir Robert Ho Tung was won by Liang Shau-hong, with a personal score of 14 points. The Junior Champion, Chan Sun-chiu, with 23 pts, was awarded the Junior Championship Cup, presented by O. Q. C. Undergraduates.

Results:—  
Long Jump (Senior), Kwong Yue-hung, 17 ft 10 in.  
Long Jump (Junior), Eu Tse-taot, 15 ft 3.5 in.  
120 Yards Hurdles (Senior), Liang Shau-hong, 19 sec.  
120 Yards Hurdles (Junior), Chan Sun-chiu, 19.5 sec.  
Putting the Weight, Gopal Singh, 29 ft 7 in.  
High Jump (Senior), Ip Man-wai, 5 ft 1 1/2 in.  
High Jump (Junior), Rahim, 4 ft 5 in.  
100 Yards (Senior), Laing Shau-hong, 11.2 sec.  
100 Yards (Junior), Chan Sun-chiu, 12 sec.  
Half-Mile Handicap, Lo Tak-fai, Three-Legged Race, Ho Woon-kam and Hung Hing-kwal.  
100 Yards Class 8, Eu Tse-fat, 12 sec.  
440 Yards (Senior), Fong Hing-yeung, 57.8 sec.  
440 Yards (Junior), Chan Sun-chiu, 65 sec.  
One Mile Race, Kahn Mohammed, 5 mins. 32.6 sec.  
Old Boy's Potato and Spoon Race, Chan Fook-tun.  
Pick-a-back Race Ho Kwok-wah and Mok Siu-kwan.  
220 Yards (Senior), Fong Hing-yeung, 24.6 sec.  
220 Yards (Junior), Chan Sun-chiu, 27.8 sec.  
Old Boys' 100 Yards Handicap, Mr. T. E. Yeoh.  
Invitation Relay Race, Wah Yan College, 2 mins. 47.8 sec.  
Small Boys' Team Relay Race, Class 7C, 57.6 sec.  
Junior Class Team Relay Race, Class 5B, 1 min. 55.8 sec.  
Senior Class Team Relay Race, Class 2C.  
Consolation Race, Ho Lap-cheung.  
Volley Ball (Senior), 1939 Class M1, 1940 Class 3D.  
Basketball, 1939 Class 3D.  
Individual Ping Pong Champion, Chan Wing-cheung.  
Individual Chess Champion, Tsai Chi-hong.  
Inter-Class Ping Pong Championship, Class 3B.  
Inter-Class Chess Championship, Class 3D.

## Easter Golf Results

### SHANGHAI VISITORS CUP WINNERS

The prizes for the best rounds in the Shanghai Visitors' were won by:—  
Morning:—Wing-Comdr. Steele-Perkins 88-16=72.  
S. L. Lloyd scored 87-15=72, but had the higher score for the last nine holes.  
Afternoon:—W. W. C. Shewan 80-9=71.

There are no alterations to the leading scores already published except the inclusion of D. I. Bosanquet 75+77=152.

#### OTHER COMPETITIONS

Other competitions resulted as follows:—  
Bogey Par (Old Course): L. R. Andrews (5) 1 up. Surg-Comdr. C. B. Nicholson (8) 1 down.  
S. L. Lloyd (15) and Major W. R. Harvey (10) were also 1 down, but the prize goes to the best homeward half. There were 65 entries.  
Medal Round: L. Reidy 85-21=64. There were 34 entries.  
Bogey Par (New Course): Capt. A. C. F. Drew-Wilkinson (15) 4 down. There were 15 entries.  
Mixed Bogey: Results will be announced later.

### CLUB TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

The following team will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club against the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday, both games to start at 2 p.m.:—

1st XI (Away):—T. A. Pearce (Capt.), D. I. Bosanquet, D. G. Day, B. C. Fay, Surg. Lt. Comm. W. G. Finnie, J. H. Fox, H. Owen Hughes, A. K. Mackenzie, J. L. C. Pearce, J. Robinson, and E. W. Stout.  
2nd XI (Home):—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, G. P. Charlton, G. E. R. Divett, J. S. Hardie Scott, D. O. Parsons, R. S. W. Paterson, J. E. Potter, D. S. Robb and, W. Stoker.

## RUMJAHN DEFEATS UMETANI

### Easy Win In Open Singles

Playing a very steady game, H. D. Rumjahn, 1937 champion, easily disposed of O. Umetani, the Japanese player, in the Colony Open Singles yesterday. The match attracted considerable interest.

In both sets the Japanese won the first game and in the second set he won a game when the Indian was leading four-one. Umetani put up a game fight against an undoubtedly superior player.

Following are the results of yesterday's play:—

#### OPEN SINGLES

H. D. Rumjahn beat O. Umetani 6-1, 6-2.  
S. A. Rumjahn v. J. W. Leonard (postponed).

#### CLUB SINGLES

B. C. Fay beat T. C. Monaghan 6-4, 6-2.

#### HANDICAP SINGLES

C. B. Nicholson (-3/8) beat E. R. Childe (-1/8) 6-4, 6-2.  
M. Pagh (-3/8) beat W. M. Barton (-3/8) 8-3, 0-6, 8-2.  
R. G. Biesel, Jr., received a "walk-over" from H. J. Armstrong.

### WIN FOR ISOBEL

The Sweepstake race of the R.H.K.Y.C. sailed yesterday afternoon resulted as follows:—

Isobel	Finished	Cor.
Surg. Lt.-Cdr. J. A. Page	42.55	42.55
Jan	42.57	42.57
(Major C. K. Seagrims)	42.57	42.57
Zephyr	42.58	42.58
(Capt. G. E. Neve)	42.58	42.58
True Blue	42.58	42.58
(Capt. A. O. G. Mills)	42.58	42.58
Eve	42.58	42.58
(Miss Crawhall Wilson)	42.58	42.58
Gull	42.58	42.58
(Col. R. A. H. Johnston)	42.58	42.58
La Linda	DNF	DNF
(Capt. T. H. Brown)	DNF	DNF

### Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY FIXTURES

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in hockey matches week:—

THURSDAY:—1st XI v. Recreio ("Y" ground, 5.15). Benwell, Jordan and Youreiff; Pennington, McLeellan and Waldron; Highlands, Gemmell, White, Rose and Walls.  
SATURDAY:—1st XI v. Nomads ("Y" ground, 4.15). Benwell, Jordan and Youreiff; Kempton, Pennington and Waldron; Bates, Elsie, Taylor, Rose and Walls.  
2nd XI v. "Y" Ladies "Y" ground, 3 p.m. Millington; Killen and Tomlinson; Smiths, Gilchrist and Ireson; Macey; Dormer, Stone, Greenberg and Banks.

## "BEES" TROUNCE CANUCKS ON RAINSOAKED PITCH

### Britain Has Strong Equal For "International"

BY R.O.Y.

On grounds which had been well saturated with the heavy week-end rains, two league matches were decided on Sunday, when softball players had considerable difficulty in keeping their footing, much to the amusement of the fairly large crowd of fans at King's Park. Canadian Chinese started their clash, against Recreio Bees, with six men, after the game had been delayed for forty minutes, and had conceded a big lead by the time the remaining members of their squad turned up.

The Bees eventually won by 11 for their victory which augurs well for their chances in the International tournament which commences next Sunday at the Kowloon Football Club ground.

The following have been selected to represent China and Portugal in this series:—

#### CHINA

Herbie Quon	P.
Nip Lum	C.
Wilbur Wu	1b.
Luke Bunn	2b.
Earl Wong	3b.
Wally Ching	ss.
H. Ali	lf.
P. F. Choy	cf.
Tuffy Chinn	rf.

Utility:—C. S. Chung, H. Wing Lee, Al Lau, Bill Quon, Tommy Young.

#### LADIES

##### China

Mary Louie	P.
Dot Louie	C.
Lily Mar	1b.
Jean Lee	2b.
Mabel Louie	3b.
May Chung	ss.
Gloria Mar	lf.
Doris Mar	cf.
Mary Mar	rf.

Utility: Paula Chan, Ulian Khoo, Rose Louie, Bella Mar, Ada Chang.

##### Portugal

Thelma Collico	P.
Ortherese Noronha	C.
Cynthia Motta	1b.
Irene Pereira	2b.
Thelma Motta	3b.
Celeste Marques	ss.
Irene Castilho	lf.
Thelma Collico	cf.
Ortherese Noronha	rf.
Margaret Oliveira	cf.
Lilia Xavier	rf.

Utility: "Ding" Lopes, Hilda Soares, Marie Figueiredo, Theresa Marques, Regina Xavier.

#### MEN'S LEAGUE STANDINGS

Won	Lost	Pctg.
Recreio "A"	13	0 1.000
R.K. Ball Club	12	1 .923
Recreio "B"	10	2 .833
Canadian Chinese	10	3 .818
Chung Hwa	10	3 .818
Victoria R.C.	6	4 .600
Mindanao	7	6 .538
Baseball Club	6	6 .500
International A.C.	5	6 .454
Filipino Club	5	9 .357
Trojans	4	9 .308
English Forum	3	10 .231
Central British	1	12 .076
Liga Portuguesa	1	11 .083
Machine Gunners	0	11 .000

## Sporting Fixtures

### TODAY

BADMINTON.—Mixed Doubles: J. Clark and Mrs. Beattie v. L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro or K. L. Yong and Miss U. Khoo (King's College, 8 p.m.); P. H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung v. H. Eardley and Miss D. Eardley (Recreio, 8 p.m.). Men's Junior Singles: T. S. Young or J. Clark v. N. L. Smith (Recreio, 8.30 p.m.).  
CHESS.—Colony's Championship: D.E. de Carvalho v. L. Blair; O. V. Praslov v. K. Weiss; V. V. Kalatchoff v. E. Zimmermann; A. Y. Briukoff v. A. Kurrik; Sir H. Pollock v. K.M.A. Barnett.  
MEETING.—Annual of Sports Club, 5.30 p.m.  
RIFLE SHOOTING.—Annual Bisley Meeting of Hongkong Rifle Association (Kowloon City Range, 9 a.m.—5 p.m.).  
TENNIS.—Open Doubles, Pang Ol-lam and Leung Ping-chiu v. J. C. Pearce and D. I. Bosanquet (4); I. and B. Agafuroff v. Wong Fux-nam and Lam Kwan (5); Kwok Hing-chung and Lui Kwai-lan v. C. H. R. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson (6). Handicap Singles, A. K. Mackenzie, +2.6 v. E. Zulauf, -15 (5); H. J. Armstrong, -30 v. S. M. Garrard, -15.3 (7). Handicap Dou-

bles, T. A. Pearce and F. D. Hunter, -3.6 v. C. D. N. Walker and E. L. Taverner, Scr. (1); C. B. Nicholson and G. C. Hobbs, -2.6 v. F. Macleod and E. S. Hall, +1.6 (2). Handicap Mixed Doubles, P. Wynter-Blyth and Miss B. Fair, Scr. v. J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill, -15.2 (3).

### TOMORROW

ATHLETICS.—Annual Athletic Sports of St. Paul's College, on South China A.A. Ground, Caroline Hill, 1.30 to 6 p.m.  
MEETING.—Annual of Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association, in the Boardroom of "S.O.M. Post."

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

CRICKET.—First Division: K.C.C. v. H.K.C. (K.C.C.); Army v. Civil Service (Bookunpo); Second Division: Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengower C.C. (Happy Valley); H.K.C.C. v. K.C.C. (H.K.C.C.).

FOOTBALL.—Middlesex v. Kwong Wah (Bookunpo), 4.30 p.m.; South China "B" v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill), 4.30 p.m.; Kowloon v. Royal Scots (K.F.C.), 4.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS.—U.S.R.C. v. Club de Recreio (Club de Recreio), 3.30 p.m.

## Lincolnshire And National Betting

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The following are the latest calls-over for the Lincolnshire and the Grand National:

#### LINCOLNSHIRE

7/1 Titan (o. 8/1 taken)  
9/1 Quarter Maitra (t. and a.)  
9/1 Womersley (o.)  
100/8 Time Step (o.)  
100/7 Aldine (o.)  
100/7 Ticeclary (o.)  
100/6 Golden Sovereign (o.)  
18/1 Booms-a-daisy (o.)

#### GRAND NATIONAL

9/1 The Professor (o. 10/1 taken)  
100/8 Kiltart (t. and o.)  
100/8 Macmoftat (t. and o.)  
25/1 Inverleith (o. 33/1 t.)  
28/1 Underbird (o. 33/1 t.)  
28/1 Venturesome Knight (o. 33/1 t.)

## NO ASCOT RACES THIS YEAR

As recently as December entries were received for a 1940 Ascot meeting. Now comes the announcement that it has been abandoned. All the nominations made for it, including those for the Gold Cup, are thus void.

There was not any racing at Ascot during the last war. A substitute race for the Gold Cup was run at Newmarket in 1915, 1917 and 1918. The Ascot authority added £1,000 to the value of the 1915 race.

One of the longest associations of owner and trainer is ended by the death of Mr. J. P. Hornum at the age of 78. He had horses with Basil Jarvis for about 30 years. Mr. Hornum who lived at West Grinstead, Sussex, was at the Goodwood meeting last year in an invalid's chair to see his horse Dubonnet win the Goodwood Cup. He purchased the 1923 Derby winner, Papyrus (trained by Basil Jarvis), for £35,000, in partnership with Major Courtland, at the end of the horse's three-year-old career. Papyrus has sired the winners of 270 races, worth a total of £109,979 in stake money.

Mr. Hornum registered his colours in 1910 and was elected a member of the Jockey Club in 1925.

Mrs. H. M. Hollins, one of the most successful National Hunt owners, has died at her home, Field House, Marchington, Staffordshire. She was over 80 years of age.

Mrs. Hollins prided herself on never missing a race meeting at which her horses (trained by W. Payne at Epsom) were running. She travelled thousands of miles, always by motor-car, each winter to attend the meetings.



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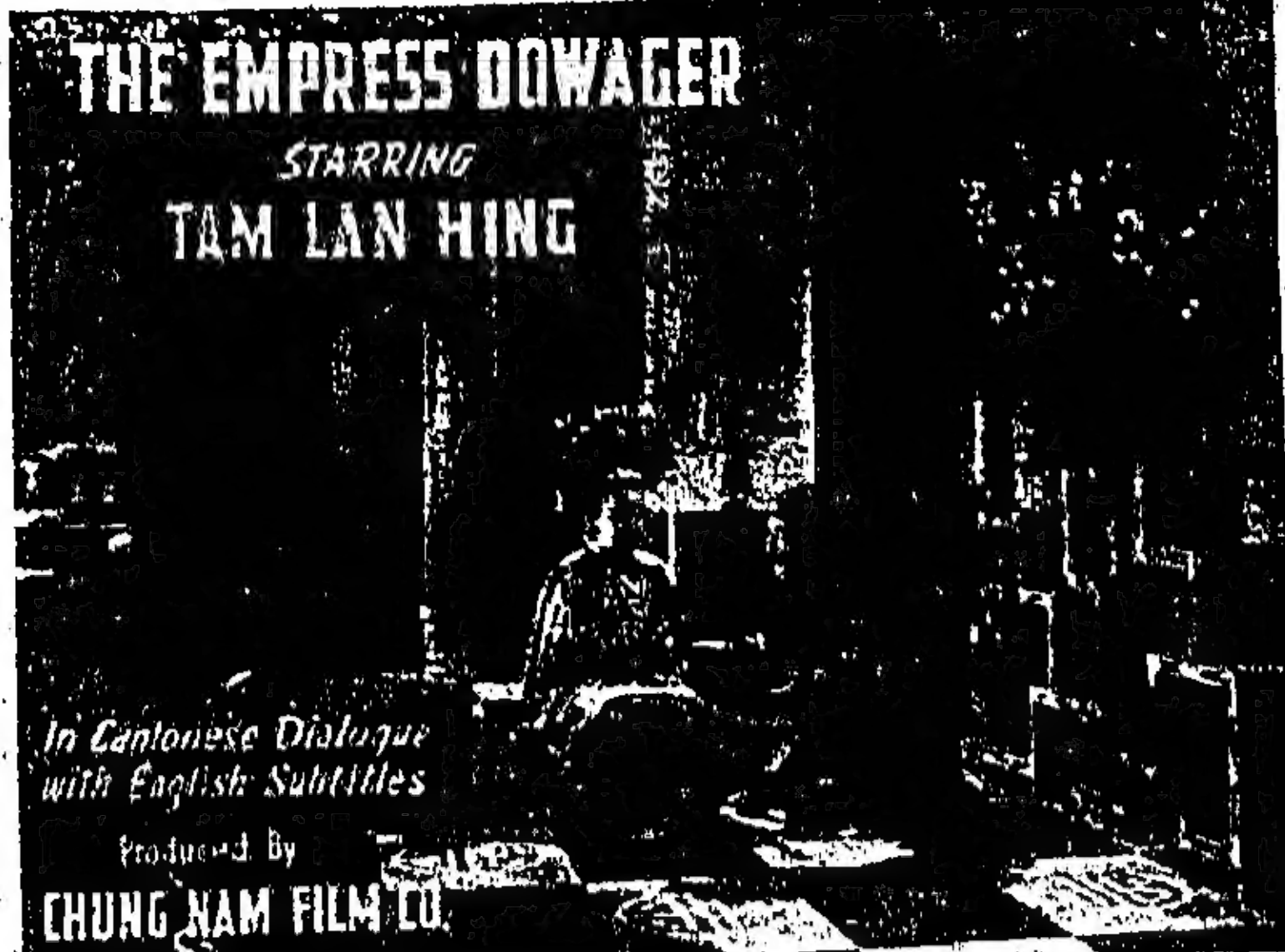
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## COMING EVENTS

### MARCH

28 Tides: High 12.50 a.m. and 12.50 p.m.; Low 8.35 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.50 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.  
 Chess Championship, Continued.  
 Legislative Council, 2.30 p.m.  
 Y.M.C.A. A.D.C. to Present "Housemaster," 9 p.m.; Badminton, H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting, Peninsula Hotel, Harp Recital, 9.15 p.m.  
 French Convent: Charity Performance, 8.30 p.m.  
 China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co. Ltd. Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 12 noon.  
 H.K. Police Inspection by H.E. the Governor, 4.45 p.m.  
 Cheong Club, Contract Bridge.  
 Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Annual Mtg., 8 p.m.  
 Sports Club, Annual Meeting, 5.30 p.m.  
 H.B. Club, Extraordinary General Mtg., 5.30 p.m.  
 H.K. Lawn Tennis Assn. Annual Mtg., Supreme Court, 5.30 p.m.  
 Society of St. George, Annual Meeting, H.K. Jockey Club Board Room, 5.15 p.m.  
 Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Gort House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
 Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 3.30 p.m.  
 Social Service Centre, Annual Mtg., St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.  
 Colony Tennis Championships, Entries Close for H.K. Jockey Club's Third Extra Mtg., 12 noon.  
 H.K. Y's Men's Club Mtg., 1 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. S. S. Lien on "China's Economy."  
 Devilian's Supper Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.  
 Ladies Bible Study, 216, Nathan Road, 10.30 a.m.  
 H.K. Philatelic Society, S.C.M.P., 5 p.m.  
 St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, Trio to Peninsula, 2.30 p.m.  
 Busy Bees' Knitting and Bandage-Making, Central Fire Station, 9.30 p.m.  
 Demonstration of Blackout Methods at A.R.P. Hall, 3 p.m.  
 R.N.Y. Police Recreation Room, Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.  
 29—Tides: High 1.55 a.m. and 12.50 p.m.; Low 6.04 a.m. and 6.06 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.20 a.m.; Sunset: 6.40 p.m.  
 Institute of Engineers: Lecture on "Chemical Warfare" by Wing-Com. A. H. Steele-Perkins.  
 H.K. Police Dance in aid of B.W.O.F., Peninsula Hotel.  
 French Convent: Charity Performance, 8.30 p.m.  
 Annual Colony Marathon, Kowloon, 5 p.m.  
 St. Andrew's Church Hall, Mahjong Drive in aid of D.G.S. Building Fund, Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
 Y.M.C.A. A.D.C. Presentation of "Housemaster," 9 p.m.; Games Morning, 10 a.m.  
 H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting, Diocesan Old Boys' Assn. Annual Mtg., Lo & Lo's Office, 5.30 p.m.  
 A.S. Watson and Co. Ltd., Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 11.30 a.m.  
 Cheong Club, Darts, Table-Tennis and Billiards, Annual Mtg., 5.30 p.m.  
 H.K. University Alumni Assn., Annual Mtg., Gloucester Building, 5.30 p.m.  
 H.K. Lawn Bowls Assn. Annual Meeting.  
 St. Paul's Annual Sports, 1.30 p.m.  
 Colony Tennis Championships, Kowloon Union Church, Jumble Sale.  
 R.A.O.C.W.O.'s and Sergeants' Club Monthly Dinner, Gloucester Hotel, 9 p.m.  
 R.E.O.C.A. Special General Meeting, Wellington Barracks, 6.30 p.m.  
 30—Tides: High 3.14 a.m. and 1.42 p.m.; Low 6.35 a.m. and 8.28 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.15 a.m.; Sunset: 6.41 p.m.  
 Y.M.C.A. A.D.C. Presentation of "Housemaster," 9 p.m.; American Tennis Tournament at King's Park, 2 p.m.  
 H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting, Annual Children's Sports, Southern Playground, 2 p.m.  
 Lawn Bowls: U.S.R.C. v. Club de Recreio, Club de Recreio, 3.30 p.m.  
 H.K. Football Club Dinner and Dance, H.K. Hotel.  
 Soccer: Shield Final, Cottage Club: Mounted Treasure Hunt, 3.30 p.m.  
 R.A.M.C. Assn. Grand Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.  
 R.A.O.C.W.O.'s and Sergeants' Club Monthly Meeting, 11.15 a.m.  
 31—Tides: High 4.47 a.m. and 3 p.m.; Low 7.15 a.m. and 8.52 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.18 a.m.; Sunset: 6.42 p.m.  
 Kowloon Green Club, Reception of Debutantes.  
 Band Concert, Peninsula Hotel Lounge, 9 p.m.—11 p.m.  
 H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting, International Softball Series start, 2 p.m.  
 C.S.C.S. Mixed Doubles American Tennis Tournament, 2.30 p.m.  
 Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. A. T. Rees on "Is Scouting Losing Its Influence?"

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### HERBERT & BERNHARD BUFF FROM THE STUDIO

Children's Hour

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 A Russian Programme.

Prometheus (The Poem of Fire), Op. 60 (Scriabin)—Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra with Sylvan Levin at the Piano and the Chorus from Curtis Institute of Music. Aria of the Miller (from Rous-salka)—Dargomizhsky—Theodore Chailaphine (Bass) with Orchestra. Prelude in B Flat (Rachmaninoff); Polichinelle (Rachmaninoff)—Left Pouchinoff (Piano).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Jack Hytlen & His Orchestra in Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Cabin On The Hilltop (from Walking on Air); Mendel's Son's Swing Song—Have You Forgotten So Soon; Fox-Trot—Did You Mean It; Fox-Trot—Goodbye, Little Dream, Goodbye; When A Woman Smiles, Quickstep—Love Makes The World Go Round (from These Foolish Things); Fox-Trot—Don't Let The Moon Get Away (from Sing You Sinners); Why Doesn't Somebody Tell Me These Things.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Patricia Rossborough (Piano) and Robinson Cleaver (Organ).

Poet and Peasant (Supper); Zampa (Harold) The Wedding of the Painted Doll; Intro: The Doll Dance (Brown); Nola (Arnold).

2.00 Selected Waltzes.

My Darling Waltz (The Gipsy Baron—J. Strauss)—Berlin State Opera Orchestra. Volga Waltz (Composer Unknown); Gypsy Waltz (Composer Unknown)—Russian Novelty Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Studio—Children's Hour.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—My Pony Boy; Horsey, Keep Your Tail Up—Freddie "Schmickelfritz" Fisher and His Band. Slow Fox-Trot—The Day We Meet Again; Fox-Trot—The Man With The Mandolin—Gerald and His Orchestra. Tango—Se Lo Llevaron; Lis Funalada—Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Fox-Trot—We've Come A Long Way Together; Novelty Dance—The Handsome Territorial—Billy Cotton and His Band. Swing Fox-Trot—Undecided; The Lady in Love With You (from "Some Like It Hot")—Benny Goodman and His Orchestra. Waltz—Don't Forget The Old Folks At Home; Fox-Trot—So Many Men, So Little Time; Fox-Trot—Broken-Hearted Clown; Fox-Trot—Why Can't We Make Love—Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Two Piano Recital by Herbert and Bernhard Buff (from the Gloucester Hotel).

8.23 Variety with Gracie Fields, Arthur Askey, Zora Layman, and Others.

Vocal—Why Did I Have To Meet You? (from "Queen of Hearts")—Gracie Fields with Orchestra. Comedian—Ding Dong Bell (Askey); I Pulled Myself Together! (Askey)—Arthur Askey with Flamingo Saxophone. Song—Of These Days (Brooks)—Coleman Hawkins with The Ramblers Dance Orchestra and Vocal Chorus. Vocal—The Beautiful Bearded Lady (Luther); Don't Go In The Lion's Cage To-Night (Luther)—Zora Layman and The Homelowners with Orch. Humorous—John Henry's Night Out (Henry); John Henry assisted by Gladys Hordidge. Cinema Organ—The King Steps Out! Medley (Kreiser)—Reginald Foot. Comedian—The Wedding of a Gigolet (Nesbitt and Others); I Want To Be A Nudist (Nesbitt and Others)—Eddie Pola with Orchestra. Vocal—For Me, For You (Macdonnell & Others); Fiddler Joe (London & More). Gracie Fields with Orchestra. Vocal Night Nursery (Kelly and Arundale); The Village That Nobody Knows (Simpson-Haydn Wood)—Turner Layton at the Piano.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—Vive La France.—K.

The fifth of a series on the Life of the French Army and People.

9.45 A French Programme, with Georges Thill (Tenor) and Jane Bathori (Mezzo-Soprano).

March Lorraine (Ganne)—La Garde Republicaine Band. Ouvre Ton Coeur (Bizet); Nuit D'Espagne (Mab-senet)—Georges Thill (Tenor) with Maurice Faure at the Piano. L'Arlesienne, Suite No. 2 (Bizet)—Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Lied (Catalle, Mendes and Chabrier); Clair De Lune (Verlaine and Faure)—Jane Bathori (Mezzo-Soprano) accompanying herself at the Piano. Werther—O Nature Pleine De Grace—Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra. La Marseillaise—La Garde Republicaine Band.

10.15 B.B.C. Recording—"Over the Garden Wall" A Sketch.

10.30 Dance Music.

Swing Fox-Trot—Miss Annabelle Lee; Rummel's—Quintette of the Hot Club of France. Slow Fox-Trot—Old Pal of Mine; Waltz—Dance The Moonlight Waltz with Me—Mantovani and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Star Dust on the Moon; Turn Off The Moon (from the film)—Lan New-berry and His Cascades of Rhythm. Tango—Jealousy; Hear My Song, Toletta—Robert Renard Dance Orchestra. Fox-Trot—The Trouble With Me Is You (from "With Love and Kisses"); Goodnight To You All—George Sirk and His Swing Music Makers.

11.00 Close down.

## CHUNGKING BROADCAST

Operating on 31.1 meters or 9.65 megacycles, XGOY in Chungking will present on Friday, Mar. 28, Chinese Revolutionary Martyrs' Day, Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, and the Education Ministry's Experimental School of Shanghai (Shanghai, China). Mr. Chen will speak in Chinese to be translated immediately afterwards into English while the songsters will render a few selections of popular Chinese patriotic songs.

Operating on 19.75 meters or 15.2 megacycles, XGOX will present on Sunday, March 31, Dr. Joseph Beech, retiring Chancellor of the West China Union University in Chengtu, who will deliver a farewell message to the Chinese people in English at 8.45–10.00 a.m. Hongkong (Shanghai, Manila) Time.

## SHORT WAVE

DAVENTRY  
 G.S.G. .... 17.75m. (16.65m.)  
 G.S.B. .... 9.51m. (11.55m.)  
 G.S.H. .... 21.47m. (21.97m.)  
 G.S.O. .... 15.18m. (15.78m.)

### NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I—News Summary ..... 4.00 p.m.  
 Full Bulletin ..... 5.00 p.m.  
 Transmission II & III—News Summary ..... 6.45 p.m.  
 Full Bulletin ..... 7.30 p.m.  
 do. .... 12.00 mid-night

Transmission V—News Summary ..... 7.30 a.m.  
 Full Bulletin ..... 8.30 a.m.

## SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C.

(All Hongkong Time)  
 Mondays—Background  
 To the News ..... 11.00 p.m.  
 Tuesdays—Background  
 To the News ..... 8.15 a.m.  
 In England Now ..... 11.00 p.m.  
 Cards on the Table 8.00 p.m.  
 Wednesdays—In England  
 Cards Now ..... 6.45 a.m.  
 Cards on the Table 8.15 a.m.  
 Matters of Moment 11.00 p.m.  
 Thursdays—Matters of Moment ..... 6.45 a.m.  
 Background to the News ..... 11.00 p.m.  
 Fridays—In England  
 Now ..... 11.00 p.m.  
 Saturdays—In England  
 Now ..... 6.45 a.m.  
 London Log ..... 2.30 p.m.  
 London Log ..... 11.15 p.m.  
 Sundays—London Log ..... 6.45 a.m.

## CHINA MEDICAL SOCIETY

KUNMING, March 27 (Central)—The fifth annual meeting of the China Medical Society will open for a three-day session here on April 2, it was announced here today.

With the exception of those who are already here, a large number of the members of the Society are on their way to Kunming. It is expected that more than 300 members will be on time to attend the opening session.

Gen. Lung Yun, Chairman of the Yunnan Provincial Government, will be honorary chairman of the meeting.

In addition to the regular members, two American experts from the United States Health Board and many prominent doctors from French Indo-China will attend the meeting.

## GAOLER AND PRISONERS

### GERMAN REICH AND ITS PEOPLE

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The Brussels paper People, commenting on the latest sinking of German ships by British submarines, writes: "Dr. Goebbels service has not judged it opportune to communicate these events to the German public. This discretion confirms two things:

(1) an abyss separates the German people from its Nazi Government, whose relations resemble those of a gaoler and prisoner;

(2) the Reich does not dare inform the public of its reverses and consequently has only limited confidence in the solidity of the people's morale."

## Lord Mayor's Fund Reaches £1,260,000

### £18,000 INCREASE OVER HOLIDAYS

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross and Saint John Fund for sick and wounded in the war now stands at £1,260,000, representing an increase of £18,000 over the Easter holidays.

### INDIAN DONATION

The Secretary of State for India has forwarded £7,500, representing the sterling equivalent of two sums of 50,000 rupees, contributed by the States of Dhar and Burhanpur for seven ambulances.

## "THE REAL GLORY" AT MAJESTIC TOMORROW

Fast-moving action, suspenseful drama and red-blooded romance are in store for moviegoers when they witness the showing of Samuel Goldwyn's "The Real Glory," which will be screened at the Majestic Theatre tomorrow and which co-stars Gary Cooper, Andrea Leeds and David Niven.

Cooper plays the type of outdoor role which has made him one of the screen's top-notch stars, portraying a doctor who has joined the army and come to work in the Philippines to sharpen his experience.

Opposite Cooper, Miss Leeds and David Niven turn in capital performances, the brunette beauty as a visiting American, and Niven as one of Cooper's buddies. Other first-rate portrayals are handled by such outstanding players as Reginald Owen, Broderick Crawford, Kay Johnson, Vladimir Sokoloff, Russell Hicks and Henry Kolker. Brilliant sets and excellent photography mark the production throughout, and special words of praise are due Paul Willeksa and James Basevi for the authentic settings and special effects.

## DANISH CITIZENS SENTENCED FOR ESPIONAGE

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—Five Danish citizens have been sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment for espionage and attempted espionage.

## "DEAD END" KIDS AT THE KING'S

More sympathetically presented than they ever have been before, the "Dead End" Kids are the central characters of "Hell's Kitchen," the Warner Bros. picture which opens today at the King's Theatre.

The story is also unusual in that it includes as a foil for the bolterous youngsters an adult character who is in effect just such a kid grown much older, much wiser and much tougher. This character is played by Stanley Fields.

The other leading roles are taken by Margaret Lindsay, Ronald Reagan, Grant Mitchell and Frankie Burke, the erstwhile Cagney impersonator being in this instance added to the "Dead End" gang.

The screen play was based by Crane Wilbur and Fred Niblo, Jr., on an original story by Wilbur, and the production was directed by Lewis Seiler and A. E. Dupont in collaboration.

## AN OLD AXIOM REFUTED

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The Times remarks that the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the West Indies, the chief of which the Government has stated it will carry out, refute the old axiom that the Colonies are only retained as a source of profit for Government powers.

The proposals were well received in both the islands themselves and at home, where the British taxpayer will have to provide a substantial sum, the main portion of which will go towards health, education and housing schemes.

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## "MARX BROS. AT THE CIRCUS"







## HIGH APPRECIATION OF COLONY'S WAR EFFORTS: B.W.O.F. THANKED

The efforts of the Hongkong Branch of the British War Organisation Fund have been most gratefully appreciated in England, as the following letters of thanks indicate.

The first is a letter received by His Excellency the Governor from Capt. Sir Ian Fraser, C.B.E., Chairman of St. Dunstan's War Hospital for Blind Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen of the British Empire. It reads:

**MAGNIFICENT RESPONSE**

Dear Sir Geoffrey Northcote,

I have just received your two letters, dated 16th and 22nd February, respectively, and I greatly appreciate the trouble you have taken to enable your Colony of Hongkong to make such a magnificent response to the Appeal I issued early in October.

Will you be so very kind as to cause our most grateful thanks to be conveyed to the Chairman and Members of the Hongkong British War Organisation Fund for their generosity in voting a sum of One Thousand Pounds to St. Dunstan's. Immediately this money is received I will of course communicate with the Chairman of the Fund.

Quite apart from the financial aspect of this very generous gift which you have been good enough to use your influence to procure for us, your letter and the keen personal interest you have done us the honour of taking in St. Dunstan's is a real pleasure to me. I need hardly say how much we prize all the help and sympathy that is coming in to us from the Empire in these anxious days and your letter is just one further example of this interest and co-operation.

We have a huge task ahead of us in preparing for the reception and care of the heavy casualties which may so soon come to us and our Hospital at Ovingdean has to be ready night and day to meet all emergencies. Sailors, soldiers, airmen, men of the mer-

chant service, mine sweepers home defence workers and so on will all bring their eye casualties and their blindness to us, and I am particularly anxious to enlist the sympathy of British people overseas to help us to build up a substantial War Fund and thus enable us to give these young men the same help which we gave, and are still giving, to the 1914-1918 men.

Yours sincerely,

(Sd.) IAN FRASER,

Chairman.

### HOSPITAL SUPPLIES

The second is a letter received by Mr. Albert Raymond from the Vice-chairman of the Central Hospital Service Supply Committee of the War Organisation of the British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John of Jerusalem, acknowledging with grateful thanks a shipment of hospital supplies sent from Hongkong. It reads:

Dear Mr. Raymond,

I am writing to thank you for the magnificent collection of hospital supplies which have safely arrived per s.s. Sarpodon from the British War Organisation, Hongkong.

We do, indeed, most deeply appreciate the wonderful generosity of your members, and shall be most grateful if you will convey to them our warmest gratitude for their kind thought and immensely valuable help.

There has been some delay in passing the cases through the Customs, but a permit has now been granted for Hospital Supplies to come through duty free, and this should obviate any delay in the future.

Yours very truly,

(Sd.) CONNIE B. BRIDGEMAN

Vice-Chairman.

## TWO ROYAL SCOTS CHARGED

### COURT MARTIAL VERDICTS

The Court Martial at Victoria Barracks, in which two privates of the Royal Scots were on trial, was concluded yesterday afternoon when both accused were found Not Guilty on the charge of theft of \$68.89, the property of the Navy, Army and Air Force Institute.

The accused were found Guilty on the second charge of breaking barracks by leaving the La Salle College Internment Camp while on active service. Sentence will be promulgated.

The men were Pte. James McPhillips and Pte. Valentine, of the Royal Scots, and they were defended by Capt. H. C. Harland, while Lt. J. A. H. Douglass was the prosecuting officer.

The Court was presided over by Major H. B. S. Webb assisted by Capt. A. G. Atkinson and Lt. K. I. M. Buchanan.

The accused were alleged to have stolen a cash box from the canteen, containing \$68.89 on the night of Mar. 4 and to have left the camp and returned together later the same night.

### DEFENCE ADDRESS

Defending officer, in addressing the Court, said that, although the prosecution had emphasised the fact that McPhillips' heel imprints were found on the broken partition of the canteen, there was no evidence as to the length of time these imprints had been there.

The prosecution had also stressed the fact that accused left camp that night but had produced no evidence of the exact time of the accused's presumed departure.

In reply, the prosecuting officer stressed the improbability of the Chinese boys having committed the theft and spoke of the identical evidence given by the sentry and N. C. O. who saw the two accused leaving the camp and returning. This, coupled with the fact that the cash box was found outside the camp, pointed strongly against them and he asked for a verdict of Guilty.

Earlier in the day, L/Cpl. W. H. Wallis, of the Military Police, gave evidence.

Second Lieutenant H. A. Miller said while he was O. C. G. at the La Salle Internment Camp, he did not at any time give the accused permission to leave camp.

## 83 DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS

A total of 111 deaths occurred in the Colony for the week ending Mar. 23. Of this total, tuberculosis claimed 83 victims (134 cases were notified during the week) and small-pox claimed 8 victims (8 cases were notified).

### OTHER CAUSES

Other returns include 10 deaths from dysentery (19 cases notified), 4 deaths from cerebro-spinal fever (11 cases notified), 3 deaths from diphtheria (12 cases notified—one imported) and 3 deaths from enteric fever (11 cases notified).

Fifty-three cases of tuberculosis, twelve cases of dysentery, five cases of enteric fever, four cases of cerebro-spinal fever, two cases of diphtheria and one case of small-pox were notified to the Health Department on Mar. 28.

### EASTERN PORTS

The following is the Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending Mar. 16:

Plague: Bassel 1 death, Rangoon 1 case.  
Cholera: Allahabad 1 case, Akyat 2, Calcutta 58, Rangoon 1.  
Small-Pox: Allahabad 1 case, Cawnpore 23, Delhi 4, Jodhpur 8 deaths, Portandar 24 cases, Sabang 4, Bombay 47, Calcutta 71, Cochin 7, Karachi 1, Madras 1, Rangoon 39, Macao 17, Hongkong 12, Shanghai 1.

## WOMAN EMPLOYER ROBBED

Pleading guilty to the theft of a quantity of jewellery and a sum of \$22 in Chinese currency, Liu Man, 19, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, at the Central Court, yesterday. Liu was ordered to pay \$100 compensation, failing which he was to serve a further term of two months.

Liu was employed by a woman to look after her shop. He opened her bag with a duplicate key and stole the contents. He then absconded to Macao, and was arrested on a steamer on his way back to Colony on March 21.

## Legislative Council To Meet Today

### FIRST READING OF AMENDMENT TO TELEPHONE ORD.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held in the Council Chamber at 2.30 p.m. to-day.

### TWO MOTIONS

Only two motions appear on the Order of Business for the meeting.

The Colonial Secretary will move:—That the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 2), dated March 14, 1940, be adopted.

The Financial Secretary will move the First Reading of—"A Bill to amend the Telephone Ordinance, 1925, as amended by the Telephone Amendment Ordinance, 1930, and the Telephone Amendment Ordinance, 1933."

## 3 CONVICTIONS FOR BLACKOUT OFFENCES

Three local residents were summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, at the Central Court yesterday, and fined for failing to carry out the blackout regulations by extinguishing or screening their lights during the recent exercises.

Lai Shing, residing at No. 109, Gloucester Road, third floor, was fined \$50.

Insp. A. V. Baker, who prosecuted, said he saw the light burning in the house and shouted to the inmates to extinguish it. He then took out a summons against the occupant.

Insp. Baker added that there had been definite attempts made by the defendant to screen the light. There was no deliberate ignoring of the regulations.

### FINED \$100

Chan Kam-chuen, of No. 1, Cochran Street, ground floor, was fined \$100 for the same offence.

Insp. Smith, who prosecuted, said that a police officer warned the defendant to screen the light. The defendant switched it off, but when the officer returned five minutes later, the light was burning again.

### TAILOR'S SHOP

A fine of \$20 was imposed on Sun Yuk-hon, master of a tailor's shop at No. 43A, Wyndham Street, ground floor, who pleaded guilty to the same offence. He said that he had shaded the lamp, but apparently it was not sufficiently covered.

## SENTENCE POSTPONED

### POLICE RESERVIST CONVICTED

Ho So, Police Reservist, appearing at the Criminal Sessions on charges of threatening to accuse a salubrious dealer named Chan Sik-tim of the crime of murder with intent to extort money and demanding money with menaces, was found guilty yesterday.

The jury, after a short retirement, returned a 6-1 verdict of Guilty on the second charge. Ho being found Not Guilty on the first charge.

Saying that he would like to have more information regarding the accused's record as a Reservist, the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, postponed sentence until this morning.

The case against Ho was that, with two others not in custody, he sought to obtain a sum of \$1,000 from Chan at a room in the Empress Hotel on January 29 by posing as a police officer and accusing Chan of having killed a man in the country.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, assisted by Det. Insp. L. A. Hopkins. The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jnr., instructed by the Hon. M. M. K. Lo, appeared for the defence.

## FAILED TO REPORT DEPARTURE

Alexander Louis Caplan, described as a former Russian subject, was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for failing to report to the Registration Office his departure from the Colony on November 4, last.

Pleading guilty, Caplan said that he had always complied with requirements during his travels to and from the Colony, but on this occasion he had overlooked the matter.

Pointing out that it was a serious matter, Mr. Sheldon imposed a fine of \$15.

## POSSESSION OF SECRET CODE

Heavy fines were imposed on two Chinese business men when they appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday and pleaded guilty to charges in connection with breaches of the Defence Regulations.

Yiu Tung-san, alias James Yiu, 45, residing at No. 24, Morrison Hill Road, and Shum Sit-ki, alias Li Tse-man, 50, were charged with the unlawful possession of secret code or cipher at No. 24, Morrison Hill Road on March 12. A further charge of a similar nature was preferred against Shum.

Yiu was fined \$2,000, in default, six months' hard labour, while a similar fine was imposed on Shum on each charge, sentences to be concurrent.

## OPERATIONS ON MAINLAND

### China Command Statement

The following statement was issued yesterday by Headquarters, China Command:—

With regard to the recent reports concerning an alleged Japanese landing in Nantau with the intention of attacking Shumchun, the military authorities state that only small parties of "puppet troops" and guerillas were concerned.

No serious attack was made or apparently intended, the casualties on either side were negligible, and the fighting confined to minor skirmishing.

There is no reliable indication that any large scale operations are impending on the Honkong frontier, which remains quiet.

## BIRTHS & DEATHS REGISTRATION OFFICE

It is notified for general information that the general office for the registration of births and deaths is not being moved to the National City Bank of New York Building when the Honkong Government Medical Headquarters moves on March 28.

All enquiries concerning birth or death registration should, therefore, still be made at the general registry, Post Office Building, as usual.

## CHRIST CHURCH WEDDING

Mr. E. A. Lee And Miss V. A. Shea

Christ Church, Kowloon Tong was the scene yesterday afternoon of a pretty wedding when Miss Violet Allison Shea, a teacher of Mun-sang College and sister of Mr. John F. Shea, manager of Messrs. Wallace Harper and Co., Ltd., became the bride of Mr. Edward Adolphus Lee, of Messrs. Gilman and Co., Ltd.

The bridegroom, who is the son of Mr. Lee Sik-ling, formerly of the American Consulate-General, has figured prominently in local cricket, and a few years ago played both for the Hongkong University and the Craighower Cricket Club.

The Rev. H. D. Rosenthal officiated at the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. J. C. L. Wong.

Miss Margaret Moraes attended the bride as bridesmaid, while Master Guy Shea was the page boy. Mr. Walter Sue was best man.

After the Church ceremony, a reception was given at the Kowloon Tong Club when the happy couple received the good wishes of a large gathering of relatives and friends. They later left for their honeymoon at Fanling.

### REGISTRY WEDDINGS

Five weddings took place yesterday at the Registry, Supreme Court. The parties were:—

Sapper Wilfred Thomas Bacon, of the Royal Engineers, Wellington Barracks, and Betty Mui, of No. 111, Hennessy Road;

Mr. Wong Tak-sum, broker, of No. 17, Hing Wan Street, and Miss Kan Lai-sang;

Mr. Ho Pak-hung, radio mechanic, of No. 8, Tung Choi Street, and Miss Can Sheung-ping, of No. 19, Connaught Road West;

Mr. Kwok E. Wan, assistant purser of the s.s. Sai On, and Miss Wong Yee-leng;

Mr. U. Season, building contractor, of No. 8, Fort Street, and Miss Yuong Wai-ying, of No. 258, Lockhart Road.

## DR. TSAI YUAN-PEI MEMORIAL FUND

A Dr. Tsai Yuan-pai Memorial Fund is being raised by the late Chinese leader's funeral committee and the Pella Alumni Association.

It is planned that \$70,000 will first be raised. Together with \$30,000 granted by the National Government, it will be used as an educational sinking fund for Dr. Tsai's sons and daughters.

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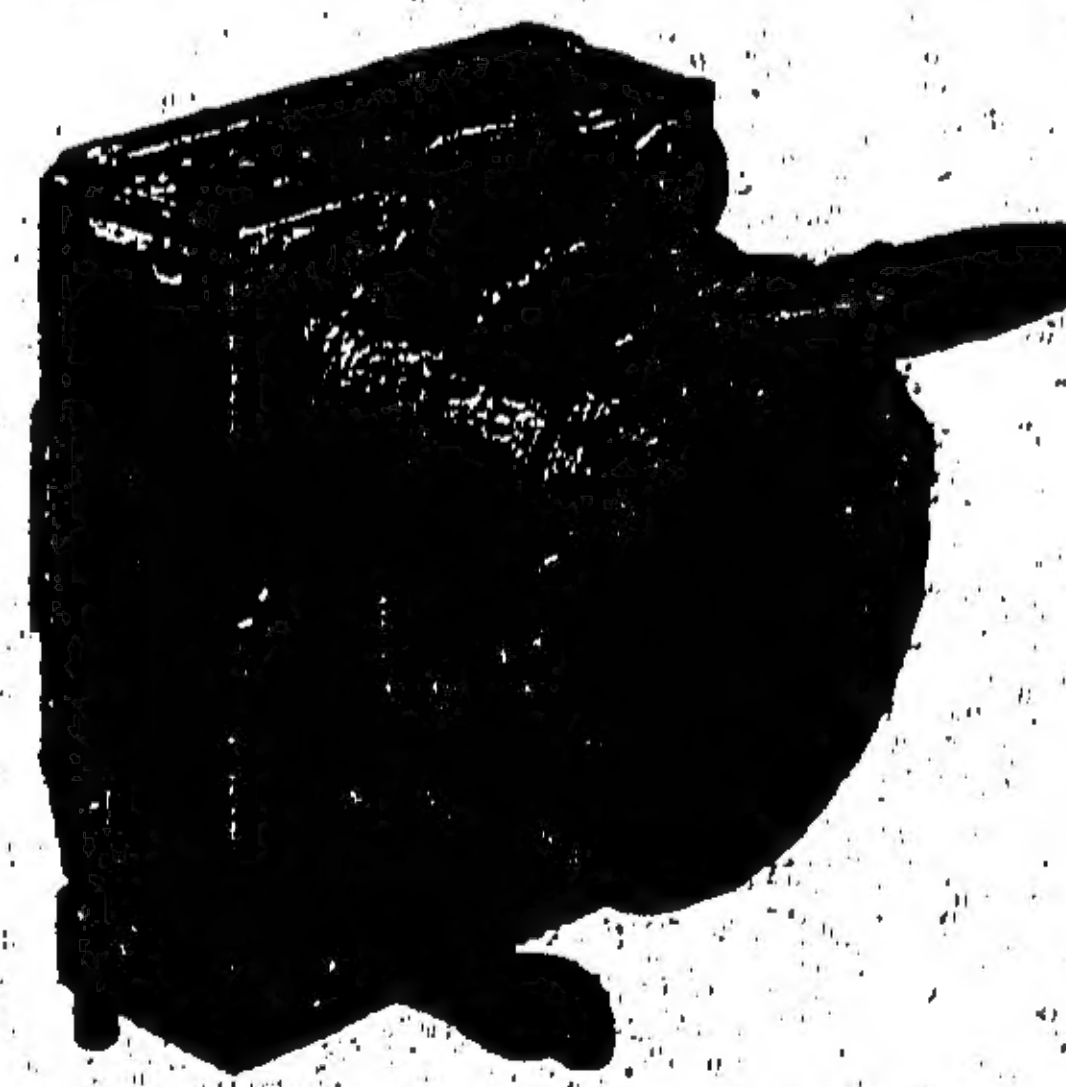
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Connaught Road.

## LECTURE

by Wing Comdr. A. H. Steel-  
Perkins, O.B.E.Entitled: "The History of  
Chemical Warfare"on Friday, 29th March,  
Commencing at 6 p.m.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,  
HONG KONG.The Annual General Meeting  
of the Society will be held in the  
Board Room of The Hong Kong  
Jockey Club, 1st floor, Exchange  
Building, on THURSDAY, 28th  
March, 1940, at 5.15 p.m.Linstead & Davis,  
Secretaries & Treasurers.THE CHINA PROVIDENT  
LOAN & MORTGAGE  
CO., LTD.NOTICE is hereby given that  
the Forty Third Annual General  
Meeting of the Shareholders will  
be held in the Jacobean Room of  
the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong  
Kong, on THURSDAY, the 28th  
March, 1940, at NOON for the  
following purposes, namely, to  
consider the annual statement of  
accounts and the balance sheet  
and the reports of the Directors  
and Auditors thereon, to elect  
directors and auditors in the  
place of those retiring, to declare  
a dividend, to appropriate the  
balance of Profit & Loss A/C as  
recommended by the Directors,  
and to transact any other ordinary  
business of the Company.AND NOTICE is also given  
that the Share Transfer Re-  
gisters will be closed from  
18th March, 1940, to 28th  
March, 1940, both days in-  
clusive.By order of the Board,  
R. A. WICKERSON,  
Secretary & Manager.

Hong Kong, 12th March, 1940.

## A.R.P. ORDERS

A R. P. Orders issued by Wing-  
Commander A. H. S. Steele-Per-  
kins, O.B.E. Director of Air Raid  
Precautions.

## TRAINING

Shamshupo Division Meeting. A  
meeting of District and Deputy  
District Wardens will be held in  
the Chinese Dispensary, Yee Yu  
Street, on Friday, Mar. 29, at 6.45  
p.m.Squad Drill—Shamshupo Divi-  
sion. On Sunday, Mar. 31, at 3  
p.m. squad drill for all wardens  
at the Police Training School.Practical Course (In Chinese)  
A Practical Course in Chinese  
for Warden Instructors only will  
be held at the office of the A. R. P.  
Department, Lower Albert Road,  
on Mondays and Thursdays at  
5.30 p.m. commencing April 1,  
1940.Lecturer:—Mr. Chak Tai Kwong,  
L. A. R. P. S.Demonstration of Obscuring  
Motor Car LightsA Practical Demonstration of  
the methods which should be em-  
ployed to obscure motor car lights  
will be given at A. R. P. Head-  
quarters Lower Albert Road, at 3  
p.m. on Thursday, 28th instanc.It is hoped that owners of cars  
will make every effort to attend  
or to send their chauffeurs. The  
demonstration will be given both  
in English and Chinese and will  
last about 20 minutes.The following having qualified  
as Wardens in a recent examina-  
tion are posted to the A. R. P.  
Establishment as follows:—Central Division:—Ho Pong,  
Western Division:—Chui Shing  
Tung, Ng Hon Kum, Miss Leung  
Pok Kwan, Miss Ning Hing, Miss  
Sam Yee Choi, Miss Ng Sui Ping,  
L. Hong Tsung, Kam Sui Wai,  
Miss Marilyn Man, Kwan Chung  
SumTsimshatsui Division:—Leung  
Hung, Tang Wing, Ling Fai, Wang  
Wing Nin, Tang Hon Yan, Leung  
Kan, Mok Yee Man, Tang Wah,  
Li Chi Leung, Yuen Sun, Tsang  
Shu Kee, Miss Ho Sui Kong, Fung  
WanKowloon City Division:—Yuen  
Bing, Ng Tat Chiu, Wong Yat Lun,  
Wong Tak Lau, Miss Ng Tak  
Ching, Yau Ka Wai, Ip Leung,  
Miss Tang Mo Chiu, Miss Leung  
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Bun HingMongkok Division:—Ling Tat  
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HONGKONG, MARCH 28, 1940

## FAMINE

THE NEWS that 4,000,000  
peasants in Hopei and  
Shantung are already in the  
grip of a disastrous famine  
and that, the seed grain and  
young shoots having already  
been eaten, there is no pros-  
pect of a good first harvest in  
the early summer, casts a  
lurid light on conditions in  
the areas of North China  
which have now been under  
actual or nominal Japanese  
occupation for a period of  
over two years.THE EXISTENCE of the  
famine is indicative of two  
features of the Japanese rule.  
The first is the total inability  
of the "conquerors" to sub-  
due resistance, either by armed  
force or by just dealing  
with the people, thus restoring  
the "normal" conditions  
necessary for the smooth  
functioning of agriculture  
and industry. The second is  
the utter disorganization and  
calousness of the invaders  
who, in common with all the  
world, have known of the  
coming of the famine, since  
last year's terrible floods—and  
have done nothing to provide  
cheap and plentiful food for  
the affected areas.INDEED, THE FACTS of  
the situation, historical prece-  
dent, and the known methods  
of the Imperial Army all sup-  
port the assumption that the  
rise of the spectre of hunger  
in North China is not at all  
unwelcome to the militarists  
in Tokyo. In the crushing of  
the spirit of a stiff-necked  
peasant people, famine has  
often proved more effective  
than guns. The Japanese,  
who even in times of plenty  
have tried to prescribe this  
treatment for the recalcitrant  
population of North China  
through the confiscation of  
crops, will certainly let it run  
its full course now.IT IS DOUBTFUL, however,  
whether the "hunger course"  
will work. The areas which  
have remained under practi-  
cally constant Japanese oc-  
cupation since the outbreak of  
the war are perhaps the  
weakest economically. The  
battlefields on the plains of  
Shantung and South Hopei,  
which were also the worst  
sufferers from the floods, will  
probably be badly affected.  
But the true guerilla strong-  
holds on the higher ground of  
North Shansi, West Hopei and  
East Hopei are likely to weath-  
er the storm without trouble  
because, unlike the Japanese,  
they have prepared for the  
inevitable by intensive and  
systematic cultivation of  
waste lands and the utiliza-  
tion of the labour of every  
man, woman and child in an  
area-wide "production cam-  
paign." This being the case,  
it is not improbable that next  
summer will see the spectacle  
of Chinese guerillas coming to  
liberate occupied towns and  
villages not only with guns  
but with bread.DIETETIC EXPERTS'  
COMMITTEEDietetic experts who are to  
study wartime problems of nutri-  
tion will serve on a committee ap-  
pointed by the British Medical As-  
sociation. The members are:Prof. V. H. Moultram; Prof. E. P.  
Cathcart, Glasgow University;  
Prof. S. J. Cowell, University of  
London; Dr. J. H. Harley Williams;  
Dr. Matland Radford, M.O.H., St.  
Pancras; Sir Kaye le Fleming, for-  
mer Chairman of Council, B.M.A.;  
Dr. Wilfred J. Pearson; University  
College Hospital; and Dr. J. C.  
Spence, Newcastle.Dr. Spence is also a member of  
the committee appointed by the  
Medical Research Council to  
advise on the question of food ra-  
tions for invalids.OVERSEAS CHINESE ON  
TROOP-COMFORTING  
MISSION TO CHINAA group of more than 30 overseas Chinese, from different  
parts of South Asia, under the leadership of Mr. Tan Kah-  
kee, famous Chinese industrialist in Singapore, will arrive in Chung-  
king to start troop-comforting tours to various war fronts.The tours are sponsored by the  
Federation of Relief Fund Com-  
mittees in Malaysia of which Mr.  
Tan is chairman. Members from  
Singapore supporting Mr. Tan in  
the mission include Messrs. Pan  
Kuo-jung, Chen Ko-ting, Lin Wei-  
chiao, Li Ying, Hsu Wen-tao,  
Chen Kang-hsien, Wu Ti-jen,  
Chen Chi-ih and Liu Shin-hsing.  
All are engaged in business and  
are prominent members of the  
Chinese community in Singapore.Other parts of South Asia  
represented in the home-com-  
ing troop-comforting group  
include Johore, Malacca,  
Negri Sembilan, Kuala Lum-  
pur, Trengganu, Kelantan,  
Perlis, Kedah, Perak, Penang,  
Thailand, French Indo-China,  
Philippine Islands, Nether-  
lands East Indies, and British  
Borneo.They will stay in Chungking for  
a few days during which they will  
pay their respects to Generalissimo  
Chiang Kai-shek and other  
leaders of the National Govern-  
ment. The group will then break  
into six divisions and set out on  
their tours to different parts of  
the country.The northern division will visit  
Shansi, Suiyuan and Hopei; the  
eastern division Honan, Shantung  
and Kiangsu; the southern divi-  
sion Hunan, Kiangsi, Kwangtung  
and Fukien; the middle division  
Rueph, Anhwei and Chekiang; the  
north-western division Shensi,  
Ningxia, Kansu and Sinkiang and  
the south-western division Sze-  
chuan, Yunnan, Kweichow and  
Kwangsi.They plan to complete their  
troop-comforting and economic  
investigation tours in China in six  
months. Many members of the  
visiting group are expected to  
make arrangements with the Chi-  
nese government to participate in  
China's programme of economic  
reconstruction.—(C.I.C.)ANGLO-FRENCH  
AMBULANCE  
CORPSColonel Baldwin-Webb has been  
appointed Honorary Secretary to  
the Anglo-French Ambulance  
Corps, a body constituted to  
provide ambulances for use of the  
French Army. The Patrons-in-  
Chief are his Majesty the King  
and President Lebrun. Other  
Patrons include Mr. Neville  
Chamberlain, M. Daladier, the  
French Ambassador in London,  
and the Lord Mayor of London.At the outbreak of war, France  
mobilised 5 million men, and still  
has over 4 million serving with  
the colours. Her need for  
ambulances is great, and at any  
moment it may become critical.  
Official acknowledgement of the  
Corps undertaking to provide and  
staff a fleet of ambulances has  
been received from the French  
Government.These ambulances, driven by  
volunteers who are still to be  
chosen will carry the flag of  
Britain through the French sectors  
and will thus be a visible symbol  
for our Allies of the deep spirit of  
unity that binds us in the com-  
mon cause.Already an order for the first  
22 ambulances has been handed  
over to the French Army. In  
response to the first appeal, a  
number of Municipalities, Bor-  
oughs, Trade Associations, Cor-  
porations and individuals have  
come forward with promises to  
donate one or more ambulances.  
To provide and equip an am-  
bulance will cost £500.Donations of this amount will  
provide an ambulance bearing the  
donor's name, the arms of a  
Borough or Municipality, etc. A  
further appeal will shortly be  
launched, and there can be little  
doubt of the response for so wor-  
thy and humanitarian a cause.Large and small sums will be  
gratefully accepted by the Hon-  
orary Treasurers, Major General Sir  
Edwin Atkinson, 33 St. James's  
Street, London, S.W.1, which offi-  
ces were kindly placed at the dis-  
posal of the Corps by the National  
Building Society, in conjunction  
with Messrs. Hamptons.A gala dance, held at the Cheero  
Club last night, was very well at-  
tended and was a great success in  
every way.Queen Mary's  
Concern At  
Black-out TollQueen Mary paid a private visit  
to the Middlesex Hospital, W.,  
recently. It was her first visit of  
this kind to London since the war,  
and she travelled up specially  
from the country to make it.Her Majesty was received by  
Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M.P.,  
chairman of the hospital; Sir  
Alfred Webb-Johnson, surgeon of  
the hospital, and Dr. A. A. Mon-  
crieff, War Commandant.Queen Mary expressed her dis-  
may at the number of black-out  
accidents. Dr. Moncrieff had told  
her that six or seven fracture  
cases were not uncommon for the  
hospital during black-out hours.  
"It is terrible," her Majesty com-  
mented.Queen Mary visited several  
wards occupied by the 150  
civilian patients, with some of  
whom she talked. She also  
examined wards prepared for  
air-raid casualties.In the hospital chapel she was  
shown the proposed site for a  
memorial window to Prince Arthur  
of Connaught, who was chairman  
of the hospital. The site is im-  
mediately opposite the memorial  
window to Prince Francis of Teck.  
Queen Mary's brother, who was  
also a chairman.Her Majesty signified her com-  
plete approval of the idea and of  
the site for the window.FRIENDS OF  
WOUNDED  
CAMPAIGNThe membership campaign of  
the Wounded Society of the New  
Life Movement Association reach-  
ed 265,726 members and \$615-  
650.05, according to results an-  
nounced by the various teams on  
Saturday, March 9, end of the  
third week. The goal for the one-  
month drive was originally set at  
100,000 members.Special attention was aroused by  
results announced by the Interna-  
tional Team for the third week—  
131 members and \$1,980. Among  
the foreign "friends" and donors  
was Mr. Nelson T. Johnson,  
American Ambassador to China.—  
(C. I. C.)WORKMAN OUT  
OF NATIONALLONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—  
Acting on the advice of a veteri-  
nary Workman, last year's winner,  
will not run in the Grand National,  
owing to the recurrence of a  
leg injury received sometime ago.ROME, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Ac-  
cording to an Ankara despatch the  
Turkish military mission which  
visited Aleppo has now returned  
to Ankara.A woman walking along Market-  
street, Easleigh, Hampshire, saw  
her dog jump in the air and fall  
over. Other dogs passing over  
the pavement jumped, barked,  
and ran. Then a pedestrian felt  
his feet dingle. He called a police-  
man who also got a shock. An  
electric main had short-circuited  
under the pavement.ELECTRICAL DISTURBANCE  
CAUSED BY  
SUNSPOTMUCH MAGNETIC  
ACTIVITYLONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—  
The sunspot electrical distur-  
bance, which created temporary  
haze among radio waves, has  
resulted in the Aurora Borealis  
and the Aurora Australis being  
seen in regions which seldom, if  
ever, have seen them.

## RAKE OCCURRENCE

Italy and Bulgaria can both  
see the northern lights, while the  
Orange Free State can see the  
red glow of the southern lights.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF K.B.G.C.

THREE TEAMS TO  
ENTER LAWN  
BOWLS LEAGUEThe Kowloon Bowling Green  
Club is in favour of carrying on  
with the Lawn Bowls League this  
year and will enter at least three  
teams. It was decided yesterday at  
the annual general meeting of  
the Club.The K.B.G.C. would do well to  
be as fully represented as possible  
at the Annual General Meeting of  
the Lawn Bowls Association to vote  
against discontinuation of the  
League this year. It was also sug-  
gested by a member.The Vice-President, Mr. K. C.  
Hamilton, was in the Chair, sup-  
ported by Mr. G. E. F. Thompson  
(Hon. Treasurer) and Mr. J. G.  
Meyer (Acting Hon. Secretary),  
and there were about 70 members  
present.The annual meeting was preced-  
ed by an extraordinary general  
meeting, when special resolutions  
were passed, altering the wording  
of certain Articles of the Associa-  
tion. The articles were in respect  
of Balloting, the Absent Members'  
List and Management.Other discussion at the meeting  
centred about a proposed altera-  
tion in "the tennis bye-laws and  
the striking off from the addenda  
of the annual general meeting of  
the granting of honours."A moment of silence was observ-  
ed in memory of the late Mr. T.  
F. Bradford, who was Vice-Pres-  
ident of the Club in 1939.

## NEW OFFICERS

Mr. K. C. Hamilton was elected  
President of the Kowloon Bowling  
Green Club, to succeed Mr. T. E.  
Robson, and Mr. George Hender-  
son was elected a Life Member.Officers of the Club for the cur-  
rent year were elected as follows:—  
Vice-President, Mr. J. McKelvie;  
Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. White;  
Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. A. Atkins;  
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ker and R. Duncan.

## PASSENGERS

The following passengers de-  
parted from Hongkong yester-  
day:—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. B. Alexan-  
der, Mrs. Frances Andrews and  
infant, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ber-  
tenshaw, Mr. R. Bhopraj, Mr. and  
Mrs. M. B. Birrell, Mr. G. L. Blum,  
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cameron and  
son, Comdr. A. Carnegie, Pay. I.  
J. Charles, Mr. and Mrs. F. F.  
Clarke and son, Mrs. Grace Con-  
rad, Miss Hilda, A. Corney, Lt.  
Comdr. D. L. C. Craig, Mrs. J. A.  
Davidson, Mr. F. R. Diebold, Mr.  
and Mrs. C. D. Dixon, Mr. H. G.  
Donald, Rev. Sister Marie  
Dufresne, Mr. C. H. Engley, Mr.  
and Mrs. A. G. Everett, Mrs. E. J.  
Fardel.Mr. C. A. Feely, Capt. F. C.  
Flynn, Mr. G. H. Gompertz, Mr.  
D. W. Gosse, Mrs. A. L. Hall, Miss  
S. M. Hall, Mrs. A. G. Hawkins,  
Miss N. S. Hawkins, Capt. A. J.  
Holland, Mr. S. G. Kent, Master  
M. Kerr, Mr. K. Kojima, Rev.  
Sister Lavaney, Miss E. J. Lyness,  
Mr. and Mrs. A. Madar and child,  
Pay. Lt. C. D. Madden, Mr. A.  
Marcheix, Dr. H. W. Miller, Lt.  
Comdr. H. E. H. Nichols, Mr. and  
Mrs. Joseph Parke and daughter,  
Mr. G. B. Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs.  
S. Riss, Mr. J. Robertson.Mr. and Mrs. L. de Roine, Mr.  
D. N. Sethi, Miss E. P. Sparling,  
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stewart, Mrs.  
A. M. Tallman, Mr. E. Torvaldson,  
Miss E. Townsend, Surg. Lt. T. A.  
Turnbull, Miss H. Wilson, Mr.  
A. Woolley and Mr. J. Yagura.BOY KILLED  
BY CARCentral Court  
InquestThe death of a 5-year-old boy,  
Wong Yiu-sang, who was knock-  
ed down by a car and succumbed  
to his injuries in the Queen Mary  
Hospital, formed the subject an  
of inquest, held at the Central  
Court yesterday.Mr. H. G. Sheldon as Coroner,  
assisted by a jury comprising  
Messrs. T. B. Williams (Fore-  
man), C. D. N. Walker and H. M. F.  
Xavier.A verdict of accidental death,  
with no blame attached to the  
driver, was recorded.Inspector Clarke, of the Traffic  
Department, appeared for the  
police.The accident occurred in Bon-  
ham Road, near Pokfulam Road,  
on Feb. 26.

## AMAH'S EVIDENCE

Chan Luk, amah, said that she  
was carrying a baby in her arms  
and was leading the boy by an-  
other hand. They were walking  
in front of the Hongkong Univer-  
sity when the boy rushed across  
the road. A car, coming from the  
direction of Pokfulam struck the  
child before he reached the pave-  
ment.The driver of the car said that  
he was driving at a speed of about  
8 to 10 miles per hour when the  
mishap occurred. He felt a bump  
in the rear of the car and was  
told by coolies that he had run over  
a person. He sent the boy to the  
Queen Mary Hospital.NEW PLAN TO AID  
BUILDING TRADESUPPLIES SOUGHT  
BY SMALL FIRMSLeading representatives of every  
section of the building trade—  
contractors, architects, material  
manufacturers, surveyors and  
operatives—are to meet to con-  
sider the next step in their cam-  
paign for stemming the war-time  
slump in the industry.They may decide to ask the  
Treasury to assist in lifting the  
tangible and intangible embargoes  
on the raising of loans and to  
demand that the industry should  
be consulted by the Government  
immediately on the supply of  
every description of material.They are especially concerned  
about the supply of materials to  
building concerns and particularly  
to small firms.

## CAMP BUILDING WASTAGE

Mr. George Hicks, M.P., the  
building workers' leader, when he  
saw Mr. Burgin, the Minister of  
Supply, and heads of other Gov-  
ernment departments with a de-  
putation from the industry, ac-  
cused the Government of reckless  
misuse of timber in the construc-  
tion of camps for the new army.  
Mr. Hicks and others declared  
that if the industry had been  
consulted, the Government would  
have been given valuable advice  
about the use of substitute ma-  
terials, and the acute shortage of  
timber would thus, to some extent,  
have been avoided.It was contended that had  
there been foresight and consulta-  
tion with the industry, unemploy-  
ment figures would not be at their  
present high level, and the in-  
dustry would not be in its present  
position.The Government representa-  
tives were told that it was im-  
perative in the national interests  
that building firms, large and  
small, with their technical staffs  
and skilled operatives, should be  
kept intact.

## DEPUTATION TO WAR OFFICE

Another deputation from the  
industry saw Sir Victor Warren-  
der, Financial Secretary to the  
War Office, and urged the need  
for distributing Government con-  
tracts more evenly among smaller  
building firms.Mr. C. Kerridge, president-elect  
of the National Federation of  
Building Trades Employers, speak-  
ing at a luncheon in London, said  
though the Government had ac-  
cepted the principle of wider  
distribution of contracts, such  
contracts could not provide more  
than about half the work which  
the building trade needed. He  
urged that the holding up of local  
authorities' schemes should be re-  
considered and some of the work  
resumed.Mr. F. W. Hill, president of the  
Southern Counties Federation,  
said there was no shortage of  
materials, except timber, which  
had been very wastefully used  
for Government work. Substitutes  
were in existence or could be  
quickly produced.A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH  
ORDINARY YEARLY MEET-  
ING of the Company (since  
registration) will be held at the  
Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong,  
on FRIDAY, the 29TH MARCH,  
1940, at 11.30 a.m., for the pur-  
pose of receiving the Report of  
the General Managers together  
with a Statement of Accounts for  
the year ended 31ST OCTOBER,  
1939.The TRANSFER BOOKS of  
the Company will be CLOSED  
from THURSDAY, the 21ST  
MARCH, 1940, to FRIDAY, the  
29TH MARCH, 1940, both days  
inclusive.JOHN D. HUMPHREYS  
& SON,  
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1940.

THE HONG KONG FIRE  
INSURANCE CO.,  
LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventy-first Ordinary  
General Meeting of Shareholders  
will be held at the Offices of the  
undersigned on Thursday, the 4th  
April, 1940, at Noon, for the  
purpose of receiving the Report  
of the General Managers, together  
with a statement of Accounts for  
the year ended the 31st Decem-  
ber, 1939.The Share Register and Trans-  
fer Books will be closed from the  
21st March, to the 4th April,  
1940, both days inclusive.JARDINE, MATHESON &  
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General Managers,

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Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1940.



# FIGHT HARD, WORK HARD AND SUFFER HARD—FRENCH PREMIER'S ELOQUENT CALL TO NATION

## Mature & Prompt Action By New Government

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—France's war aim remained unchanged—the defeat of the enemy, declared M. Paul Reynaud, France's New Premier, in a broadcast last night.

He promised that the decisions of the new Government would be mature and actions prompt.

Regarding the Inner Cabinet of Nine, M. Reynaud said it was "enough for deliberation and not too many for action."

Referring to the formation of the new Government, M. Reynaud said he was actuated by one idea—what ministerial formation would give to the Government the most strength for action.

"If in the midst of war France offered the spectacle of a cascade of Governments, then enemy propaganda would pounce on the failure of our democracy and the importance of our regime, but the real risk is of favouring the execution of the enemy's plans. He gambles on our internal break-up, which would enable him to undertake military action at the minimum cost," declared the Premier.

**HITLER'S PLANS.**  
"At the moment I am speaking, everything has been set at work by Herr Hitler to attack the economic independence of the Balkan States," continued M. Reynaud. "By every means, the Reich is straining to establish its hegemony over a great part of Europe. The Government's duty is clear—make war in all fields."

"Everywhere, men are needed—to fight and to work in the factories and to work in the field. The Government's part is to put everybody in place. Whoever keeps to peacetime rhythm of work is committing an offence against the country. Normal is not enough."

"Those who might attempt to thwart this great national effort will be crushed. This war will be hard and we will have to fight hard, work hard and suffer hard. We shall win this hard war."

## SPORE CHINESE WELCOMED IN CHUNGKING

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—A warm welcome was "extended to Mr. Tan Kah-kee, Chairman of the China Relief Association of Singapore, and his party, which arrived at Chungking by plane from Rangoon yesterday, says the Sin Wan Pao."

Over 500 persons, representing more than 200 public organizations and Chungking Government officials, waited at the aerodrome to greet the party.

### 500 PRESENT

A Central News message adds that over 500 people, including Gen. Wu Te-chen, representing Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Chen Shu-jen, Chairman of the Overseas Affairs Commission, Mr. Chang Kia-ngau, Minister of Communications, Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, Acting Chairman of the National Relief Commission, and Mr. Shao Li-tse, were at the aerodrome to greet the 67-year-old prominent overseas Chinese.

As the C.N.A.C. plane "Kang-tung" taxied to a stop, Gen. Wu Te-chen was the first to step forward to extend his welcome to Mr. Tan on behalf of the Generalissimo. A large bouquet was then presented to him by representatives of the National Women's Relief General Association.

### MR. TAN'S PLANS

Mr. Tan, in the course of a brief speech, declared that he returned to his home country this time to report overseas Chinese relief affairs, to inspect the new highway transportation system, and to pay a visit to the front. He also announced that he was planning to establish a pharmaceutical factory for the manufacture of necessary medicines for soldiers.

## ALLIES READY TO INTERVENE IF NECESSARY

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Havas)—The Allies' intention to follow stronger policy in the Balkans is seen in authoritative quarters, who stated that the Balkan problem will be discussed between London and Paris soon.

It was pointed out that the Allies can fully rely upon Turkey, whose loyalty towards the Allies is not doubted in the slightest, should Britain and France be compelled to protect the Balkans.

## ANOTHER COMPLAINT FROM NORWAY AGAINST BRITAIN:

### NEUTRALITY VIOLATION

### SHELL FIRED BY BRITISH WARSHIP

OSLO, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The allegation that a British destroyer, in attempting to stop a German vessel, fired a warning shot which fell on Norwegian soil, was made in an official statement issued yesterday.

### ANOTHER PROTEST

According to the statement, the incident occurred near Obrestad on Mar. 23, and when the German vessel did not stop, the destroyer, which was alleged to be within territorial waters, abstained from further force.

The statement continues: "A shell fell, without exploding, on shore, not far from the road and near a railway station."

The Norwegian Legation in London has been instructed to protest energetically against this violation of neutrality regulations.

## U.S. MINISTER TO THAILAND

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—Mr. Gladney Grant, previously United States Ambassador to Albania, has been nominated minister to Thailand.

## METAL SHORTAGE

SHUUKWAN, March 27 (Int'l)—Japanese troops removed the rails and all metal parts of the Canton-Hankow Railway between Sunkai and Canton, over a distance of 30 miles and shipped them to Whampoa. The rails and metal are to be transhipped to Japan.

## More "Barrier Trouble"

### BRITISH PROTEST LODGED

TIENTSIN, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—Mr. Oswald White, British Consul-General, has brought the attention of the Japanese Consul-General, to the increasing number of delays at barriers to which Britons have been subjected during the past few days.

Apart from the sudden increased difficulties which have been experienced by individual Britons at various barriers lately, two large parties of British subjects, including many prominent persons and officers of the British Municipal Council, returning from a short holiday at Peltatho on Monday and Tuesday were detained at the barriers without any apparent reason. They were held up for over two hours before being permitted to pass through.

## MILITARY PLOT IN BOLIVIA

LAPAZ (BOLIVIA), Mar. 27 (Havas)—The Government has proclaimed a State of Emergency as a sequel to a military plot staged by young officers and regiment carabinieri. The authorities retain full control of the situation, while a popular demonstration of loyalty to the Government was organized in front of the Governor's Palace.

## RUMOURS OF CABINET RE-SHUFFLE PERSIST

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Havas)—A possible reshuffle of the British Cabinet is the subject of much comment in London.

It is understood that the Labourites are unlikely to accept participation.

The general belief is that Mr. Chamberlain plans the creation of a War Cabinet of five members, possibly with Lord Halifax, Mr. Winston Churchill, Sir John Simon, Sir Samuel Hoare and himself.

### MR. CHURCHILL'S NEW OFFICE

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—Notwithstanding official depreciation of newspaper Cabinet reshuffles, the "Daily Mail" carries a report by its diplomatic correspondent, stating that a "Cabinet within the Cabinet" may be formed.

The correspondent suggests that the members consist of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Viscount Halifax, Sir John Simon, Sir Samuel Hoare and Mr. Winston Churchill.

### INNER CABINET

There are suggestions also that Lord Chatfield will become first Lord of the Admiralty and that Mr. Churchill, as Minister Without Portfolio, will take over representation in the Inner Cabinet of the three fighting services and industry.

He will be the real Minister for Co-ordination of Defence. Sir Kingsley Wood, the present Air Minister, may be replaced and given a special post for directing the acceleration of national production.

### IN FINLAND TOO

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 27 (Havas)—A reshuffle of the Finnish Cabinet was expected yesterday afternoon, following the resignation of the Minister for National Defence, M. Hjalmar Procopé, Minister in Washington is named as the possible future Foreign Minister.

## Dr. Goebbels' Snowball Tactics

### FALSE CLAIMS IN SYLT RAID

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The snowball tactics of Dr. Goebbels' propaganda machine are again exemplified by the way the Nazis are changing their minds about the R.A.F. raid on Sylt.

The first report said that one British plane had been brought down, while the latest report says six. At this rate, the Germans will soon have exceeded the total number of aeroplanes taking part in the raid, semi-official observers in London comment.

### NOT UNUSUAL

This, of course, is not exactly unusual. They achieved this feat in their reports of the air battle over Heligoland Bight last December.

If the Nazis conform to this habit, their next report should be twelve British planes shot down in the Sylt Raid.

The Air Ministry once again stresses that the Nazi figures are false. As announced within a few hours at the time, only one R.A.F. machine failed to return.

### PERSONNEL OF RAID

Among those taking part in the raid on Sylt, the Air Ministry announced, were 14 Canadians, 7 New Zealanders and one South African.

## GERMAN AIR CLAIMS

BERLIN, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The German High Command communique was chiefly concerned with air activity and states that during March 26 enemy planes tried many times to cross the German-French frontier.

German fighters drove them off and, without any loss to themselves, shot down a British Hurricane and a French Morane.

## China's Part In Commerce

### SHANGHAI "TAIPAN" LOOKS AHEAD

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—"I have every confidence in the future of the port of Shanghai and in the future of China as a factor in international commerce," declared Mr. F. H. Bordwell, Chairman of the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce, at the annual meeting of the Chamber today.

The existence of financial and economic blocs in various parts of the world, he said, would continue to mitigate against the rapid return of prosperity. They could only hope that in any settlement undertaken, on the termination of hostilities in China and Europe, the sanity of the world would prevail and with it freer financial and economic intercourse between the nations.

"I feel that guarded optimism is perfectly in order," he remarked. Mr. Bordwell also paid a tribute to the recuperative powers of the Chinese and to the tenacity and courage shown by merchants and traders generally.

## YUNNAN'S MINERAL RESOURCES TO BE EXPLOITED

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—Negotiations for the joint exploitation of the mineral resources of Yunnan Province are reported to have been conducted by Gen. Lung Yun, Chairman of the Yunnan Provincial Government, with the British and French Governments, says the Central China Daily News.

In connection with the financing of the construction of the Yunnan-Burma railway, the report states, Gen. Lung Yun is said to have offered mineral products as securities.

Gen. Lung Yun, it is learned, has accepted the invitation of the Governor of Burma to visit Rangoon in April, the report adds.

## CHINESE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The seventh annual conference of the Chinese Medical Association will be held at Kunming from April 2 to 6, says the Sin Wan Pao.

At least 300 delegates are expected to attend.

## ARK ROYAL BACK HOME AFTER 5-MONTH CRUISE: TORPEDOES MISSED HER

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The Ark Royal, Britain's newest aircraft carrier, which the Germans claimed last year to have bombed and sunk, has now returned home after a five months cruise on war service.

During that time, it is estimated, that the Ark Royal with her aircraft reconnoitred 5,000,000 square miles of ocean. She played her part in the interception of three valuable German merchant ships.

Her aircraft have attacked several U-boats, while others have been frightened into crash dives with unknown results.

### TWO TORPEDOES MISSED

On the other hand the Ark Royal has been missed by two torpedoes fired from a U-boat which was quickly sunk by her destroyer escort. A thousand pound bomb, dropped from an attacking Heinkel, crashed harmlessly into the sea 15 feet away from the bow of the Ark Royal.

The only damage sustained by the ship was a few pieces of broken crockery.

The Ark Royal returned home to replenish her stores and to give her crew of sailors and airmen a well-deserved leave while she prepared for her next task.

### CAPTAIN INTERVIEWED

Captain A. J. Power, who has been in command of the Ark Royal since she was first commissioned nearly two years ago, told Reuter that the torpedo attack was made last October about the same time as the Courageous was lost.

The torpedoes passed astern of the ship missing it by between 200 and 300 yards. After the U-boat had been attacked by the escorting destroyers some of her crew were saved.

### AIR ATTACK

Describing the air attack on the Ark Royal, Captain Power said that one German was more daring than the others. He made a power dive on them.

"He started from about 14,000 feet and pulled out at perhaps 1,000 feet," said Captain Power.

"I saw a bomb leave the plane. It was the biggest one I have ever seen. I saw it falling and from the bridge my impression was that it was not going to hit us. It landed in the sea about 15 feet from the side of the ship. If it had hit us it would have sunk us," he said.

### CROCKERY SMASHED

Captain Power denied a report that the Ark Royal heeled over. Her helm was turned and her

## Uneventful Passage

BALBAO, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—The Mauretania arrived and docked at midnight after an uneventful passage through the Panama Canal.

### STRICT PRECAUTIONS

The ship is now taking in oil and the authorities are taking the strictest precautions and only necessary workers are allowed to the pier.

There was a slight delay at Cristobal by the sudden death of the Mauretania's sixty-year-old carpenter.

## INTERPRETER FOR JAPANESE ATTACKED

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27 (Central)—Lo Chih-hsing, allegedly an interpreter of the Japanese Army, in Western Shanghai, is lying in a critical condition in hospital as a result of bullet wounds inflicted by assailants near Lincoln Road on Monday, according to a Shanghai report.

Four or five assailants attacked Lo, firing more than 10 shots at him. They made good their escape.



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## Nazi Sailors Refused To Fight: Reasons For Scuttling Of Graf Spee Revealed

LONDON, March 26 (Reuter)—An authoritative report has now been received by the Admiralty on the events which preceded the scuttling of the Graf Spee.

Extracts from the report, which were issued to-night, indicate that the refusal of the Graf Spee's crew to take the ship to sea to meet the awaiting British warships led to the decision to scuttle her.

Eight times, according to the statement, officers, including Captain Hans Langsdorff himself, appealed to the crew in vain to fight.

**SULLEN & SILENT**  
When, in protest against the decision to scuttle the ship, the officers asked for volunteers to fight, only sixty stepped forward whilst the remainder stood sullen and silent, refusing to volunteer.

The report says that the Uruguayan authorities were so confident that the Graf Spee would make a breakaway during the night of December 16 that they prohibited all Allied ships from leaving the port.

**CREW HARANGUED**  
During the afternoon of December 16, however, on the factor of

of the ship was received about midnight.

Shortly afterwards, Captain Langsdorff returned aboard and all repair work was suspended.

Arrangements were made for a barge to receive the crew after the ship was scuttled. Provision and other gear which had been taken on board were transferred to the Tacoma.

### CREW BOYCOTTED

The Germans kept the crews refusal to fight as quiet as possible until the Graf Spee was almost ready to go out.

The German colony, who had made much of the crew for the first two days, boycotted them when the news of their refusal to fight got around.

The statement concludes with the report that the crew's refusal to obey orders and insubordination are confirmed by observers aboard the merchant ships Lynton, Granke, Trekiève and other vessels, both naval and mercantile, which were moored close to the Graf Spee, including a tug lying alongside her.

These observers were witnesses of these occurrences aboard the Graf Spee.



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Old Porcelain and Pottery, Han Bronze and Jade Ware, Carved Ivory and Jade Ornaments, Ivory and Jade Inlaid Cabinets and Screens, Silk Embroideries, Embroidered Pictures, Scrolls, Lacquered Ware, etc., etc.

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LAMMERT BROS.  
AUCTIONEERS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

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on

Tuesday, the 2nd April, 1940  
commencing at 5.15 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road, Central. (Room No. 205, 2nd floor).

### A VALUABLE COLLECTION OF POSTAGE STAMPS

On View from Monday, the 1st April, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.  
AUCTIONEERS

There will be a Services Dance at the Y.M.C.A. starting at 9 p.m. on Monday next, April 1.

A talk on "My Impression of Kwelyang" was given by Mr. Paul Morris, representative of America's Far Eastern Student Service Fund, at the Kwelyang broadcasting station on Tuesday evening. Mr. Morris who arrived in China last December has lived in Kwelyang for three months and left yesterday for Chengtu.

## Record Working Account Shown At Dairy Farm's Annual General Meeting

"The accounts before you today show a record profit in the Working Account, the figure of \$906,074.49 being some \$88,000 more than last year. This result I am sure you will consider all the more satisfactory in that it has been accomplished without increasing the prices of the commodities produced or manufactured by the company, the chief of which are milk, ice and icecream."

In these words the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Chairman of Directors, opened his address to the shareholders of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., at the annual meeting yesterday when he proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

### CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Hon. Mr. Dodwell said, in part:—

The advancing costs of cattle fodder, due to the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities, followed by further increases in most things caused by the European War, would have fully justified an increase in the price of our products, but it has always been the policy of your Board and always will be, that the prices of such vital commodities as milk and ice should be kept down to the lowest possible level, since they are necessities with all classes of the community. We give the public milk which is cheaper than elsewhere in the Far East.

Unless, however, there is a halt to the rising cost of fodder, bottles, caps and other necessities required for the production of our Milk, it may prove impossible to avoid an upward revision of our price during the present year.

### CATTLE IMPORTATIONS

Imports of cattle throughout the year numbered 79 animals but I regret to state that owing to the unprecedented demand, we could not entirely meet it during the greater part of the Summer.

Sales of Milk during the year constituted a record in the history of the Company and continue at an exceptionally high level for this time of the year, so much so that supplies of Cream have had to be restricted.

Having regard to this your Directors considered it advisable to further increase the herd, and of the animals ordered some 90 have arrived. With these further importations the Herd will number some 1,800 animals one of the largest herds in the world.

You will observe with this balance amounting as it does to \$87,531.98 and that standing at credit of Cattle Reserve we are only some \$90,000.00 short of the book value of the Herd nevertheless in order to safeguard the position, having regard to the further purchases of Cattle this year, your Directors have deemed it advisable to place a further \$50,000.00 to credit of Cattle Reserve.

We congratulate the authorities on enforcing the pasteurization of milk a step which is for the general good of the Dairy Industry in the Colony and there is ample evidence in other parts of the world that increased consumption per capita invariably follows the tightening of legislation. We have had no difficulty whatsoever in complying with the regulations.

### GOVERNOR AND LADY NORTHCOTE'S VISIT

During the year we were honoured when His Excellency the Governor, Lady Northcote and party visited the Dairy and Ice making plants.

During the year we put on the market two frozen connections under the trade names of "Popicle" and "Fegicle" which enjoyed an immediate success. Ice cream sales show an increase over last year. A record sale of that popular drink—Green Spot—which we manufacture, was made during the year.

Ice sales have been well maintained while our Cold Stores at East Point, Connaught Road Central and Canton Road have been well patronized. I regret to say that owing to the scarcity of fish the fast-freezing plant to which my predecessor referred from the chair last year has not yet been put into use.

### FOOD EMPORIUM

We have been fortunate to secure a lease of premises in Des Voeux Road, where, in the ground floor it is intended to install a modern and complete Food Emporium and also in a half-mezzanine section in the same floor to equip a Soda Fountain and "Snacketeria." Your Directors are confident that this will prove a popular and profitable venture and fill a long felt want.

The entire part of the building which we have agreed to lease will be air-conditioned and I believe this will be greatly appreciated by

our patrons who will be able to shop in comfort during the humid summer days and it desired may have their morning coffee or a cooling drink in a pleasant atmosphere in the one building.

### BALANCE SHEET

Turning now to the Balance Sheet; The depreciation written off amounting as it does to \$228,823.23 includes a full year's depreciation on the Assets which have been installed throughout the year and is considered by your Directors to be adequate.

It has been considered desirable to further increase the reserve for bad and Doubtful debts and the sum of \$10,000.00 has been charged against Profit and Loss Account for this purpose.

I have pleasure in proposing that the accounts as presented be adopted and that the sum of \$490,845.65 for appropriation be dealt with as follows:—

To pay a final Dividend of \$1.00 per share on 251,430 shares	\$251,430.00
To pay a final Dividend of 50 cents per share on 41,905 shares	20,952.50
To pay a bonus of 25 cents per share on 251,430 shares	62,857.50
To pay a bonus of 12½ cents per share on 41,905 shares	5,238.13
Add to General Reserve	15,000.00
Add to Cattle Reserve	50,000.00
To Carry Forward	88,387.52
	\$490,845.65

### SECONDER'S SPEECH

In seconding the adoption of the report and accounts, Mr. P. Cassidy said inter alia that he had no doubt that housewives who do their own shopping will be delighted to hear about the new premises to which the Chairman has referred. Shopping in an air-conditioned atmosphere with a Soda Fountain and Snacketeria adjacent will make a pleasure of what is at present rather a stern duty.

In any case there is plenty of room for additional refreshment facilities in the centre of the town and I share the Directors' confidence that the venture will prove popular.

He spoke of the close co-operation which exists between the Directors and the Managements, and added, "To my mind, as long as this factor can be counted

## HARP AND SONG RECITAL AT PENINSULA

This evening, at 9.15 p.m., in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel, a harp and song recital will be given in aid of the Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China.

Solange Renie will give a number of harp solos and Angelika Messier-Steinschneider (Messa-Soprano) accompanied by Mr. E. O'Neill Shaw will sing two groups of songs. Tickets (\$2 each) may be obtained from the Gloucester Building First Floor Room 3 or the Anderson Music Shop.

### THE PROGRAMME

The programme is as follows:—

I  
Garden after the Rain J. de Pa Presle  
Siciliana (18th Century) Harmonized by Respighi  
"La Melodieuse" (18th Century) Daguin  
"Tic-Toc-Choc" (18th Century) Couperin

II  
Solange Renie.  
Ever Gentler Grows My Slumber Brahms  
In the Church Yard Brahms  
Mon Pays Gretchaninow  
Angelika Messier-Steinschneider.

III  
\*Prelude (No. 20) Chopin  
\*Moment Musical Schubert  
\*Moonlight Sonata (Adagio) Beethoven  
\*The Nightingale Liszt

Solange Renie  
INTERVAL

I  
Legende H. Renie  
(from the Poem "The Elves" by Leconte de Lisle)  
Solange Renie.

II  
Aria de Dalia Samson et Dalia Saint-Saens  
Air de Salome Herodiade Massenet  
Angelika Messier-Steinschneider.

III  
Deux Chansons Populaires  
Francaises M. Grandjany  
A—Le Bon Petit Roi d'Yvetot  
B—Il était une Bergere

\*Clair de lune Debussy  
\*Serenade Albeniz  
La Source Zabel  
Solange Renie  
\*Transcript for Harp by H. Renie.

### OTHER BUSINESS

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, retiring directors were re-elected to the board and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors.

### ATTENDANCE

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Chairman) was supported by the following directors:—The Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Messrs. A. L. Shields, D. L. Newbigh and H. V. Wilkinson. Shareholders present were:—Messrs. P. Cassidy, N. Croncher, P. Morphet, J. C. Gill, D. Macferran, W. Macfarlane, D. K. Paul, C. T. Chen and K. C. Mark.

## GOOD YEAR'S BUSINESS REPORTED AT CHINA E. & L.I. CO'S MEETING

Dividend payment of 70 cents per share was approved by shareholders of the China Entertainment and Land Investment Co., Ltd. at the annual meeting held yesterday.

Dr. S. W. Tso was in the chair, others present being Messrs. Liang Chi-hao, Chang Kwai-chon, Chang Kwai-on, K. Y. Chang, George Sun and Li Jowson (directors) and Messrs. Li Kwok-ying, K. C. Chang, K. P. Chang and Li Lin-chi (shareholders).

### CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman said:—The gross taking from the Theatre is approximately the same as that of the previous year and business generally throughout the year can be considered as good. This year I am pleased to state that the management, with a view to catering to the various tastes of its patrons, have been able to contract for a selection of films from five of the leading companies in the film industry.

These films comprise the biggest line-up of the most popular English and American stars, directors, and writers that has been the proud privilege of any one theatre to assemble together. An improvement has also been effected to the theatre's Sound System, which now compares favourably with the most modern theatres in America, by the installation of the latest Western Electric's "Mirrophone." A system which makes projected sound more clear and realistic.

As in previous years we have

again given several successful performances for the benefit of various charitable organizations.

### INVESTMENTS

Turning to the Investment side of the accounts, I am also pleased to report that throughout the whole of the year under review all shops and offices in this building have been let and, without an exception, I can confidently say, that tenants in this building have all enjoyed a very good year's business.

You will notice that your directors have written off, as depreciation on land and buildings, a sum of \$50,000.00 and recommend the placing of \$20,000.00 to general reserve, I trust you will agree with me that this was done in order to place the Company on a firmer basis financially than in preceding years.

### PROFIT FOR YEAR

The profit for the year ending December 31, 1939, after providing \$75,438.24 for depreciation, amounted to \$31,197.03 and with the balance of \$25,839.98 brought forward from 1938's account, we have a total sum of \$106,887.01 available for distribution, out of which your directors recommend the placing to general reserve \$20,000.00 and the payment of a dividend of 70 cents per share which will absorb \$59,900.60 leaving a sum of \$16,986.41 to be carried forward to the 1940 account. The report, and statement of accounts were unanimously approved.

### OTHER BUSINESS

Sir Shouson Chow and Dr. S. W. Tso were re-elected Directors, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors for the coming year.

## NEWSETTES

The Y.M.C.A. will hold a Ladies' Night Dinner at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday next, April 4.

Mr. J. Robertson, of the Hong-kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., left Hongkong yesterday.

Miss E. Townsend, Sister, Matilda Hospital, left the Colony yesterday on holiday.

Mr. A. T. Rees will address the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday next at 9 p.m. on "Is Scouting Losing Its Influence?"

Mr. F. F. Clarke, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., accompanied by Mrs. Clarke and son, left Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. G. H. Gompertz, of the Insurance Department, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., left the Colony yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. de Rome left the Colony yesterday for the United Kingdom. Mr. de Rome is connected with the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., and is a very keen lawn bowler.

The 26th International Labour Conference will be held at Geneva on June 5 this year despite the war in Europe, according to Mr. Ling Kang-hou, Chairman of the Shanghai Bankers' Association, and Chinese employers' delegate to the Conference.

A special general meeting of the Royal Engineers Old Comrades' Association, Hongkong Branch, will be held in the Corporation's Room, Wellington Barracks, tomorrow (Friday) at 6.30 p.m.

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## GAOL & EXPULSION UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed on Chan Pang, 26, unemployed, when he pleaded guilty before Mr. R. Edwards, at the Central Court yesterday, to the theft of a handbag from Mrs. D. Campbell.

Mrs. Campbell was walking along Battery Path on Tuesday afternoon when the defendant snatched her bag.

Chan was also expelled from the Colony for five years, during which time, Mr. Edwards said, if he wished to come back, he would have to obtain permission first from the Commissioner of Police.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Co. (Ltd):—

Fong Book Ping c/o Kong Shu Lui, On Lan Club, On Lan Street Shanghai; Chang Pin c/o Kowloon Hotel Shanghai; Poon Yick Chai c/o Great Eastern Hotel Shanghai; Sun Chung 23 Des Voeux Rd. 2nd floor Shanghai; Wah Hing 71 Bonham Street East Shanghai.

Mai Wo Yang Co. c/o Cheung Tung Co., 11 Queen's Road C. (2 Telegrams) Osaka.



## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

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unless instructions were given to  
the contrary Six Hours before arrival of  
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cluding date of arrival will be subject to  
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effected by us in any case whatever.

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the Godown for examination by the  
Consignee, and the Company's surveyors,  
Messrs. GOSWAMI & DODD, at 10 a.m.  
on Monday and Tuesday, within the  
Free Storage period.

Consignees are specially notified that  
it is necessary for a Revenue Officer to  
be present at the examination of damaged  
dutiable cargo.

All Claims against the Steamer must  
be presented to the Underwriter on or  
before 17th April, 1940, or they will  
not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godown.

Agents,  
MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,  
HONG KONG, 27th March, 1940.

The new Central Market built  
by the bogus Shanghai Municipal  
Government was formally declar-  
ed open at a ceremony on March  
23, but no business has yet been  
started, as vegetable and other  
dealers refuse to join, says a  
Shanghai dispatch.

## Finance and Commerce

ANGLO-SPANISH ECONOMIC  
RELATIONS  
RENEWEDU.S. TO COMPETE  
WITH NAZI PLANE  
PRODUCTION

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—One reason for the reported  
change in the United States plane  
selling policy is believed to be the  
reports reaching Washington regard-  
ing German planes' production.

In some official quarters, Ger-  
man production is said to be 3,000  
monthly, with a prediction of a  
rapid increase to 6,000 monthly.

While some experts consider  
these figures ludicrously high, the  
reports appear to be stimulating  
the United States to ensure that  
America shall play her part in  
building up the Allies' air strength.

HUGE ORDERS FROM  
ALLIES

NEW YORK, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—  
The Allies have already placed  
orders in the United States ex-  
ceeding \$150,000,000, according to  
Sir Louis Beale, a member of the  
Anglo-French Purchasing Board,  
speaking at a luncheon given by  
the Export Managers' Club.

Sir Louis Beale said that the  
Anglo-French Purchasing Com-  
mission had received the utmost  
co-operation and fairplay from  
American industry. Not a single  
attempt to take advantage of the  
Allies' urgent needs had been en-  
countered.

£2 MILLION LOAN  
AGREEMENT

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The  
loan agreement between the  
United Kingdom and the Spanish  
Government, which was published  
yesterday, refers to the United  
Kingdom's desire to assist the  
Spanish Government in the pro-  
motion of reconstruction work.

## THE TERMS

The United Kingdom Govern-  
ment will undertake to advance  
to the Spanish Government a sum  
not exceeding £2,000,000 to be paid  
into a sterling current account.  
The Spanish Government will  
undertake to pay to the United  
Kingdom interest in sterling at  
the rate of 4 per cent per annum,  
on the sums advanced, and to re-  
pay the whole loan in twenty half-  
yearly instalments, beginning on  
June 30, 1942.

A Trade and Payments Agree-  
ment, the text of which is also  
published, will come into force on  
April 1.

## CEMENT PERIOD

Clearing arrangement is re-  
established by the Trade and Pay-  
ments Agreement, Reuter learns  
that the occasion of the inaugura-  
tion of the Loan Agreement is re-  
garded in official quarters as a  
cement period, during which the  
friendly economic relations be-  
tween the two countries have been  
placed on a normal basis.

The agreement is regarded as  
dovetailing into the Anglo-Spanish  
War Trade Agreement, which, it is  
hoped, will be merely the begin-  
ning of a much more considerable  
volume of trade between the two  
countries, whose economies are, in  
so many respects, complementary.

COTTON CONTROL  
IN CHEKIANG

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—  
In an effort to tighten the control  
of cotton produced in the Pro-  
vince of Chekiang, the Provincial  
authorities have increased the  
selling (market) price by \$7.50 per  
picul, while cotton merchants have  
been granted five per cent com-  
mission, says a report to the Sun  
Wan Pao.

Purchasing is being undertaken  
by the Oil, Tea, Cotton and Silk  
Control Bureau of the Provincial  
Government.

By thus raising the selling  
price, it is hoped effectively to  
prevent cotton produced in Che-  
kiang from being supplied to the  
Japanese, the report states.

H.K. STOCK  
EXCHANGE

The market was listless.

## BUYERS

Union Ins., \$500.

China Lights (Old), \$3.20.

China Lights (New), \$5.40.

Entertainments, \$7.40.

## SELLERS

Lands, \$374.

Tramways, \$17.85.

Yau-mai Ferries, \$281.

Telephones (Old), \$304.

Telephones (New), \$11.60.

Ropes, \$5.70.

## SALES

Union Ins., \$510.

Docks, \$23 cum, div.

Humphreys, \$8.

Tramways, \$17.75/85.

Ropes, \$5.65.

## MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atoks 16b, Baguio Gold 21b.

Batong Buhay 011s, Big Wedge

18b, Coco Grove 11s, Con. Mines

0030b, Demonstration 10b, East

Mindanao 093b, LXL, 35b, Ipo

Gold 10b, Itogon Mining 204s,

Masbate Con. 084s, Mind, Mother-

lode 094s, Mine Operation 09b,

North Camarines 05b, Paracale

Gummaus 18b, San Mauricio 73b,

Surigao Con. 18b, Suyoc Con. 12b,

Syndicate Inv. 019b, United Para-

cale 244b, Benguet Con. 555b.

SHAREBROKERS'  
ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted

on Wednesday, Mar. 27, 1940

H.K. Electric 20 \$85.75

50 85.50

50 85.50

H.K. Lands 18 38.00

Dairy Farms (O) 200 23.00

Ropes 500 5.65

H.K. Tramways 1,000 17.75

United Paracales 10,000 2.24

11,838

The total value is \$317,240.00

and P. 2,450.00

U.S. PETROL FOR  
SOVIET

TOKYO, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—  
The Soviet Union is "feverish-  
ly" importing petroleum from  
America through Vladivostok,  
according to a Japanese press  
message from Tsuruga, the  
terminus of the ferryboat ser-  
vice linking Vladivostok with  
Japan.

The message adds that the  
Soviets are also seeking to  
develop their own Far East-  
ern deposits.

LONDON STOCK  
EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, March 28.

The following quotations are the  
middle prices at the close of the  
market in London. All quotations  
are subject to confirmation and no  
responsibility is assumed for errors  
in transmission.

War Loan, 3½% (Red

after 1952) 98½

Canton-K'loon Rly. 5% 15

Chinese 4½% Gold Loan

1898 (Brit. Issue) 58

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds.

1925-47 51½

Chin. 4½% Anglo-French

Loan, 1928 50

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan,

1913 (Ldn. Is.) 29

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan,

1912 30

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes,

1925 (Vickers) 104

Chin. Imperial Rly. 5%

Loan 57

Honan Rly. 5% 15

Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911

(German Issue) 17

Lung Tsing & U. Hai

Rly. 5% 1913 13

S'hai-N'King Rly. 5% 20

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%

(Brit. Stpd.) 13

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%

(German Stpd.) 13

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%

(Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 13

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%

(Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 13

Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907

504

Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924

534

Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924

74

Chartered Bank 94½

H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn.

Reg.) 93½

H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col.

Reg.) 93

Chinese Eng. & Mining

(bearer) 19

Chosen Corporation 6½

Pekin Syndicate 1½

S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. 15

S'hai Waterworks "A" 15½

Union Insurance 28

Gula Kalumpung Rubber

19/44

Allied Ironfounders 14

Asso. & Elec. Industries

40/14½

Austin Motors, ord. 17

Cable & Wireless, New

Form, ord. 604

STERLING TAKES  
A FLOPACCUMULATION OF  
SELLING ORDERS

NEW YORK, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—  
Sterling tumbled entirely to a  
selliers' market in which selling  
orders during the holidays, ac-  
cumulated to a degree far beyond  
the capacity for New York to ab-  
sorb at the prevailing rates.

## FURTHER REGULATION

Moreover, overhanging the mar-  
ket was the spectre of a further  
regulation in sterling and other  
currencies which, it is felt, will  
curtail the demand for free ster-  
ling.

Meanwhile fresh news of tight-  
ening sterling control came from  
Sweden yesterday and there were  
also many rumours of pending  
measures in other countries.


The franc and other sterling  
currencies abruptly declined while  
Canadian dollars were easy  
though it is pointed out that the  
move was more or less indepen-  
dent.

MORE TAXES ON  
SPIRITS, TOBACCO

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—  
A hint that spirits and tobacco  
will be taxed more severely was  
given yesterday when a Customs  
Excise Order restricted with-  
drawals of spirits and tobacco  
from bond to 92½ per cent of  
the January figures until after  
Budget day, April 23.

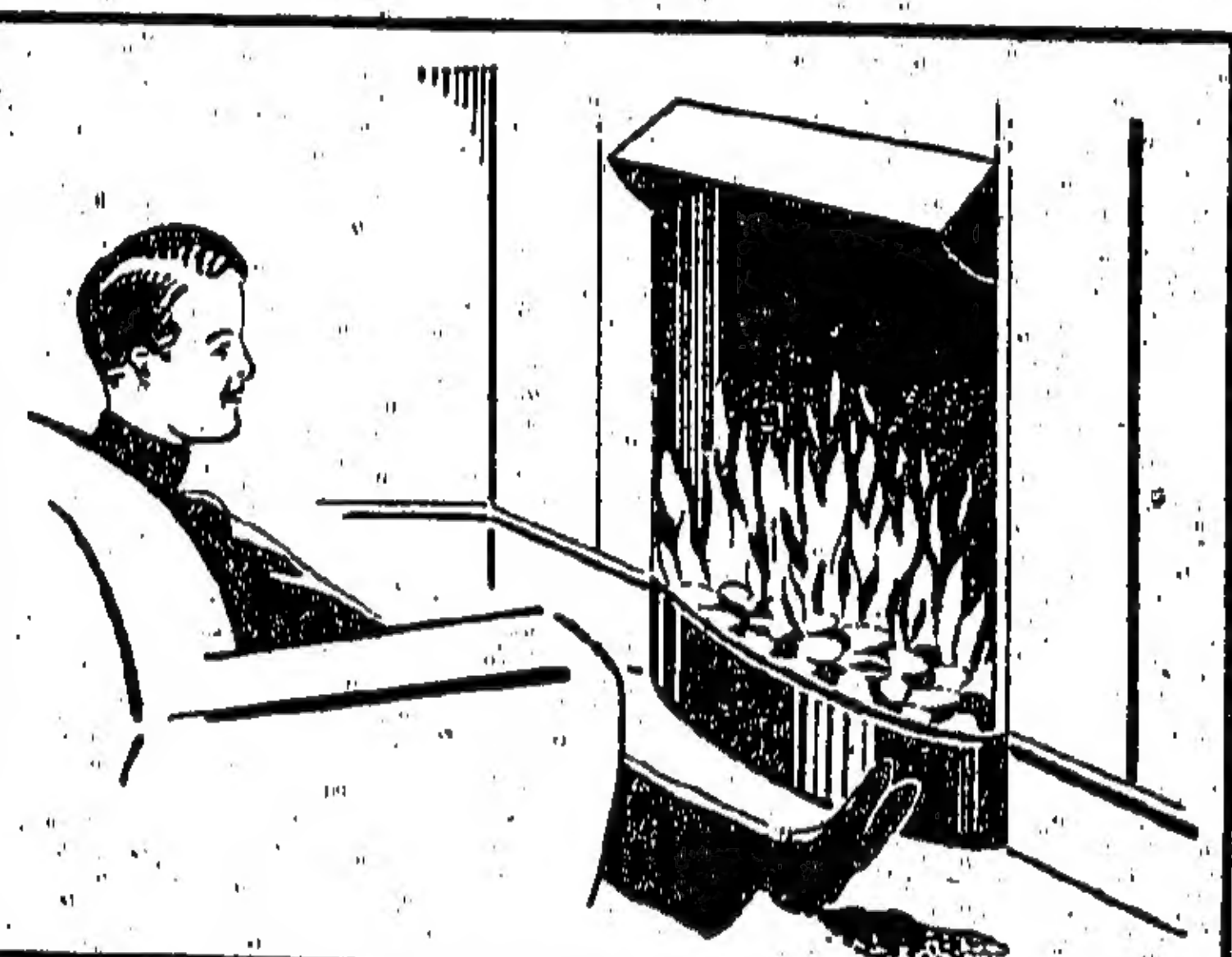
B.-A. Tob. (bearer)	103/9
Mexican Eagle	124½
Camell Laird, ord.	7/4½
Mexican Eagle	6/3
Courtaulds	36/3
Distillers	68
Dunlop Rubber	33/3
Gen. Electric (England)	79/104
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	78/3
Hawker Siddeley Airs.	13/14
Bristol Aeroplane	15/14
Imperial Chemical Ind.	31/9
Imperial Tobacco	119/4½
Marks & Sp'cer "A" ord.	52
Rolls Royce	81/3
Leyland Motors	75/3
Tate & Lyle	54/104
Turner & Newall	68
United Steel	23/3
Smithwick Drop Forg.	15
Armstrong Stevens, ord.	8
Pressed Steel, com.	17
Vickers, ord.	18/3
Woolworths	85/6
Anglo-Dutch	24
Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust	33
Burma Corporation	9/3
Commonwealth Mining	—
Marsman Investments	14/3
Randfontein Estates	38/9
Western Holdings	15
Sub-Nigel	187/6
Tanami Gold Mining	6d.
Anglo-Iranian	52/8
Burmah	71/104
Shell Trans. & Trad.	78/9
(bearer)	—
—Nominal	—
—ex-dividend	—

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Copper Mine Workers  
Strike Over

NDOLA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The  
Northern Rhodesia strike by cop-  
per workers has been settled fol-  
lowing the arrival here of the  
Governor, Sir John Maybin. It is  
learned that all strikers are likely  
to resume work today.

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# FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

### CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MARCH 27, 1940

On London:—  
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/3 35/32  
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 25/32  
Credits 4 months sight 1/3 3/32

On Shanghai:—  
On demand ..... 350  
On demand ..... 53 3/8

On Singapore:—  
On demand ..... 91 1/2

On India:—  
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 1/2  
and demand ..... 1/2

On New York:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 21 1/2  
Credits, 60 days sight 22 3/8

On Batavia:—  
On demand ..... 40

On Paris:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 108 1/2  
Credits 4 months sight 113 1/2

On Saigon:—  
On demand ..... 108

On Manila:—  
On demand ..... 43

On Bangkok:—  
On demand ..... 150 1/2

On Sterling Notes:—  
Bank Buying Rate ..... 1/31/32  
Bar Silver per oz ..... 50 1/16

Market Report  
FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices dropped yesterday to the extent of 5/8 for Ready and 9/16 for Forward, the quotations being 20 1/16 and 20 1/8 respectively. Silver advances reported by speculators as having sold India supported the market to a small extent. A small business was done. The market closed steady with buyers at 1/16 over the quoted rate. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 353 1/2.

Steady Sterling

Opened with sellers at 1/22 1/32 subsequently business was done at 1/27 1/8 for near delivery. The market, closed with small sellers at 1/27 1/8 for near and 1/22 1/32 for April/October, buyers at 1/22 1/32 for Cash and probably 1/22 1/32 for August.

U. S. Dollars

Erratic at the opening with sellers offering 21 3/4 for Cash but the rate gradually rose to 21 7/8 at which rate a small business was reported for April delivery followed by transactions at 22 1/16 for Cash. Towards the close 22 was also reported for March delivery. The market, closed with sellers at 21 15/16 March, probably April, buyers at 22 1/16 for cash and 22 April.

Shanghai Dollars

Business was done during the course of the morning at \$60, 359, 1/2 and 359 for cash. The market closed with small sellers at 359, buyers probably at 359 1/2 for Spot.

Shanghai Market

Sterling sellers for Spot at 41 1/8 U.S. Dollars, opened with sellers at 61 1/8 for Spot and closed slightly steeper at 61 1/8 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 27 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London ..... 0/4

New York ..... 5-7/8

Japan ..... 24-7/8

India ..... 22-1/8

Paris ..... 2-3/4

Hongkong ..... 28-3/4

Sellers

Spot ..... 0/4-1/8

Mar. ..... 0/4-1/16

Apr. ..... 0/3-59/64

U.S. Dollars

Spot ..... 56-1/16

Mar. ..... 5-15/16

Apr. ..... 5-11/16

Market:—Quiet

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/4-3/32

U.S. Dollars, 56-1/16

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 5-1/4 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Mar. 26 (Reuter). Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-03-0.

New York Exchange

New York, Mar. 26 (Reuter). T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 3.63.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 26 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan, 85-5/8.

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### COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

#### SINGAPORE RUBBER

S P O T

APRIL-JUNE

JULY-SEPT.

OCT-DEC

The market was idle.

LONDON RUBBER

S P O T

APRIL

MAY

JUNE

JULY-SEPT.

OCT-DEC

After ruling steady, the market closed dull.

NEW YORK COTTON: Dragging legislation, foreign selling, the weakness of Sterling and the failure of the renewal of textile demand were all discouraging factors. There was, however, a late support by the Trade which steadied prices at the decline. Continued mill curtailment is reported.

NEW YORK RUBBER: There was some factory buying. Dealers and foreign interests, however, were selling intermittently. Uncertainty with regard to the Sterling exchange was an adverse factor.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Forecast of moderate rains in the South-West and the weakness of Sterling caused setbacks but reports of dust storms in Kansas and Nebraska checked further reaction.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 146.25; Today's close, 145.80; Change, off 39.

### NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

New York Cotton, May ..... 10.52 10.40 10.54 10.40 14 off

New York Rubber, May ..... 18.38 18.16 18.40 18.16 24 off

Chicago Wheat, May ..... 106 105 106 105 14 off

Chicago Corn, May ..... 57 56 57 56 1 off

New York Hides, June ..... 13.66 13.43 13.72 13.46 26 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change

May ..... 10.54/54 10.50/50 10.40/41 14 off

June ..... 10.31/31 10.31/30 10.19/20 14 off

July ..... 10.43/43 10.43/42 10.32 N 13 off

July (New contract) ..... 9.85/86 9.70/71 9.21 off

October ..... 9.91/91 9.74/75 9.59/59 19 off

December ..... 9.78/78 9.69/69 9.54 N 20 off

January ..... 9.74/74 9.57/57 9.41 N 19 off

March ..... 9.80 N 10.65 N 14 off

Spot ..... 10.79 N

Total sales Monday:—36,900 bales.

First notice day for cotton:—1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER

March ..... 18.40 N 18.16 N 24 off

May ..... 18.40/40 18.35/35 18.16/16 24 off

July ..... 18.17/17 18.10b/15a 17.90b/95a 27 off

September ..... 18.00b/15a 17.95b/18.01a 17.83/83 17 off

December ..... 17.90b/95a 17.73b/75a 17 off

January ..... 17.85 N 17.89 N 16 off

Total sales:—1,440 tons.

Last Trading day for March rubber:—27/3/40.

CHICAGO WHEAT

May ..... 106 106 106 106 14 off

July ..... 105 105 105 105 14 off

September ..... 104 104 104 104 14 off

Monday's sales:—34,280,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May ..... 56 57 56 57 1 off

July ..... 58 58 58 58 1 off

September ..... 58 58 58 58 1 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT

May ..... 90 90 89 89 1 off

July ..... 91 91 91 91 1 off

October ..... 92 92 92 92 1 off

NEW YORK HIDES

June ..... 13.72/72 13.66/66 13.46/46 26 off

September ..... 14.04/05 13.98/98 13.72/72 32 off

New York Official ..... 34-3/4

NY-London Cross Rate 3.88-3/8

### SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Mar. 26 (Reuter). Silver, Speculators sold. Little Indian support at the lower levels. Business small. Market quiet. In the afternoon, the market was steady, with small buyers at 1/16 over but sellers were reserved.

Spot, 20-1/16d.

Forward, 20-1/8d.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Mar. 26 (Reuter). Silver, Official, 34-3/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 24 (Reuter). Market:—Quiet. Offtake 25 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready ..... 57-04

April 3 Settlement ..... 57-04

May 1 Settlement ..... 57-07

### STOCK EXCHANGE QUIET

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—On the Stock Exchange yesterday the markets were quiet, with little activity in any group except Home Ralls, which were higher on reports of the large Easter Holiday traffic.

Indian Government stocks tended to harden, but elsewhere movements were very small.

Wall Street was steady.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Mar. 26 (Reuter). TIN

buyers sellers

Standard, Cash 247-1/4 247-1/2

Standard, 3 months 248-1/4 248

Strats. .... 275-1/2

LONDON GOLD

London, Mar. 26 (Reuter). Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 188.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

STOCKS Last Sale Mar. 28

STOCKS Last Sale Mar. 26

Adams Express ..... 7 1/2

Allegheny Steel Co. .... 21 1/2

Allied Stores ..... 7 1/2

Allis Chalmers ..... 36

Aluminum Ltd. .... 59

Amer. Can. .... 114 1/2

American Cyanamid B. .... 38 1/2

Amer. & Foreign Power ..... 13

Amer. Foreign \$7 pf. .... 21 1/2

American Gas & Elec. .... 34 1/2

Amer. Locomotive ..... 20 1/2

Amer. Metals Co. .... 24 1/2

Amer. Radiator ..... 8 1/2

Amer. Rolling Mill ..... 14

Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co. .... 49 1/2

Amer. Sugar Refining ..... 19 1/2

Amer. Tel. & Tel. .... 17 1/2

Amer. Tobacco "B" ..... 8 1/2

Amer. Waterworks ..... 9 1/2

Anaconda Copper ..... 27 1/2

Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe. .... 21 1/2

Auburn Motors ..... 1 1/2

Baltimore & Ohio ..... 4 1/2

Barber Asphalt Co. .... 14

Barnsdall Oil ..... 10 1/2

Bendix Aviation ..... 33 1/2

Bethlehem Steel ..... 7 1/2

Bliss & Co. .... 14 1/2

Boeing Airplane Co. .... 22

Borg-Warner ..... 21 1/2

Bridgeport Brass Corp. .... 11 1/2

Briggs Mfg. .... 21 1/2

Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans. .... 21 1/2

Brooklyn-Manhattan S. .... 9 1/2

Canadian Pacific R'way ..... 5 1/2

Case, J.I. .... 30 1/2

Celanece ..... 28 1/2

Chesapeake & Ohio ..... 8 1/2

Chrysler Corp. .... 8 1/2

Colt-Mohndenium Co. .... 38 1/2

Colts Patent Fire-Arms ..... 77 1/2

Columbia Gas & Elec. .... 5 1/2

Columbia 6% "A" pf. .... 86

Commercial Credit Co. .... 45 1/2

Com. & Southern (Ord.) ..... 1

Consolidated Edison ..... 30 1/2

Consolidated Oil ..... 7 1/2

Continental Can ..... 22 1/2

Continental Oil ..... 16 1/2

Copperweld Steel ..... 10 1/2

Corn Products ..... 59

Curtiss Wright (C.) ..... 28 1/2

Curtiss Wright, "A" ..... 21 1/2

Deere & Co. .... 21 1/2

Distillers Corp. Seagrams ..... 19 1/2

Douglas Aircraft ..... 83

Du Pont de Nemours ..... 186

Eagle Picher Lead ..... 12 1/2

Eaton Mfg. Co. .... 33

Ele. Autolite ..... 37 1/2

Ele. Bond & Share ..... 54

Ele. Bond & Share \$5 pf. .... 59 1/2

Ele. Bond & Share \$6 pf. .... 68 1/2

Ele. Power & Light \$7 pf. .... 28 1/2

Flintkote ..... 14 1/2

Flintkote ..... 19 1/2

Gen. American Trans. .... 51 1/2

Gen. Electric ..... 37 1/2

Gen. Motors ..... 53 1/2

Gen. Railway Signal ..... 16 1/2

Gen. Tire & Rubber ..... 19 1/2

Glidden Co. .... 17

Goodrich (B.F.) ..... 65 1/2

Goodrich \$5 pf. .... 22 1/2

Goodyear Tire & Co. .... 13

Great Northern Iron Ore ..... 23 1/2

Great Western Sugar ..... 27 1/2

Greyhound Corp. .... 15 1/2



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Goods remaining undelivered after the  
1st April, 1940, will be subject to  
Rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged  
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,  
where they will be examined on 30th  
March, 1940, at 10 a.m., by our  
Surveyor Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
To comply with the General Bonded  
Warehouse Regulations, consignees must  
have a Revenue Officer in attendance  
when damaged dutiable goods are  
examined.

All claims must reach us before  
the 1st May, 1940, or they will not  
be recognized.

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Hong Kong, 26th March, 1940. [178]

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examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods  
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they will be examined on the 30th  
March, 1940, at 10 a.m., by Messrs.  
Goddard and Douglas.

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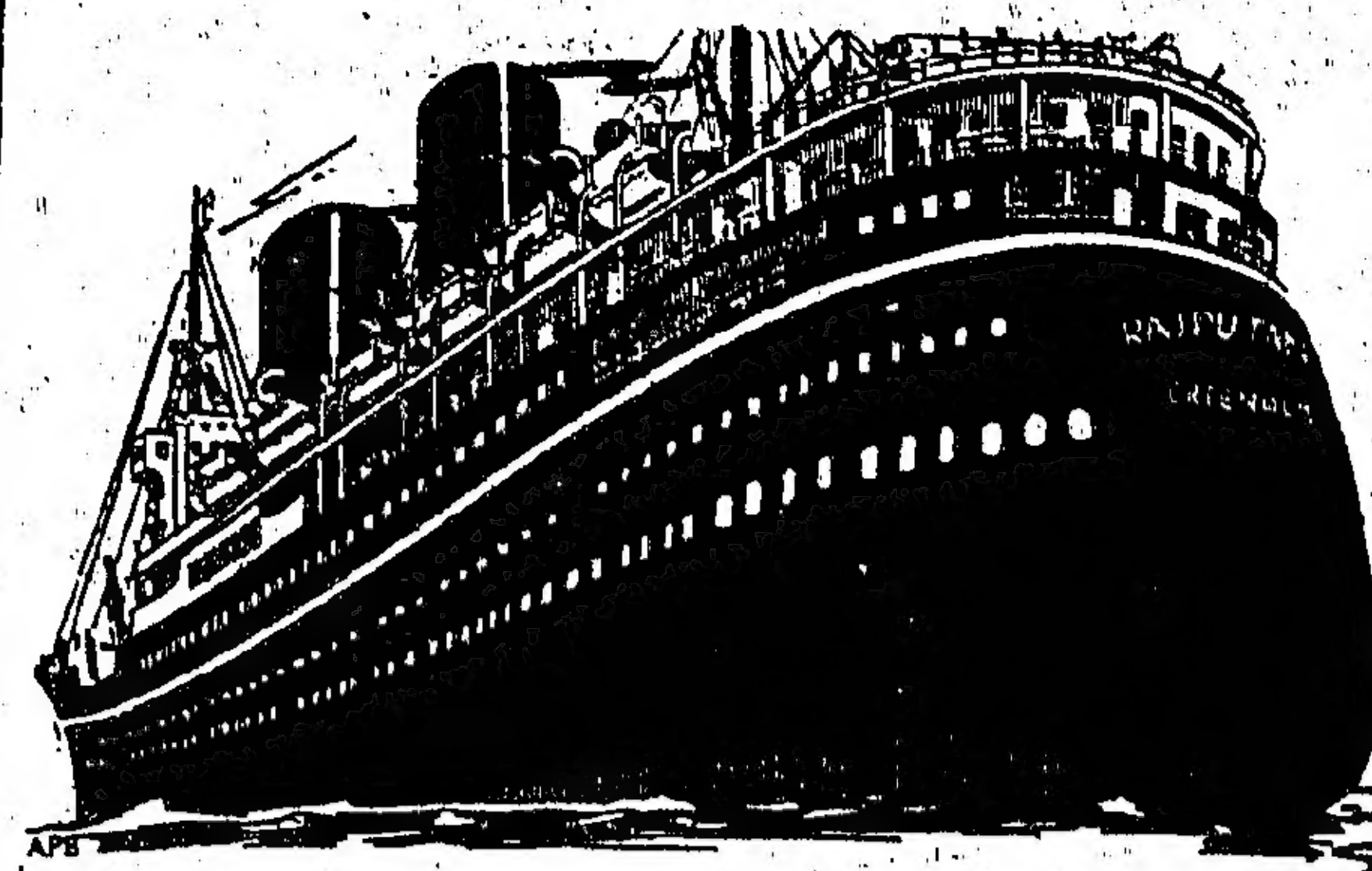
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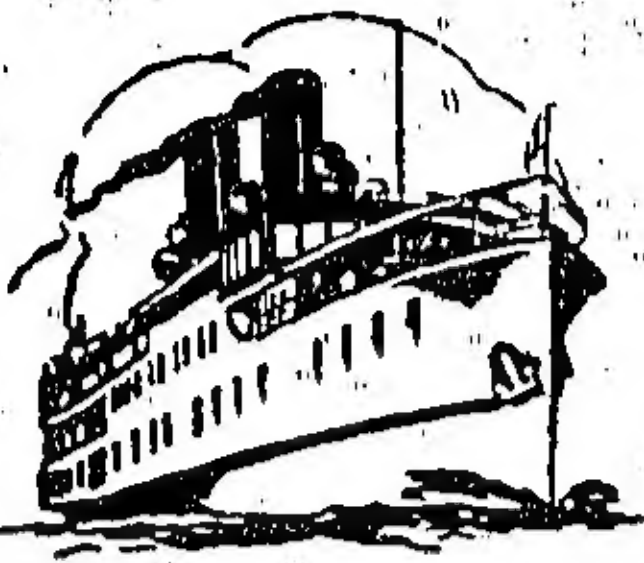
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ARMY DEFEAT  
CLUB 4-2

The Triangular Hockey Tournament match between Army and Club at King's Park yesterday resulted in a win for the former by four goals to two. Club putting up a much better fight than they managed at Sookunpoo a fortnight ago.

In the first match of the series, played at Sookunpoo, both teams were considerably weakened. In the absence of several of their better players, and Army, fielding what could have been more correctly called an Army 2nd XI, won by three goals to one.

The Club played much better yesterday than the score of 4-2 would indicate, and against a team that was about the strongest that Army could field. Outstanding for Clubs were B. Yourieff and W. A. Reed, in the defence, and B. I. Bickford and T. S. D. Whitley in the forward line.

### RATHER RAGGED

The Army left-wing combination of Nerrin Singh and Partaub Singh appeared stale for a good part of the game, and the forward line, at times, was rather ragged as a whole. Shah Wali played a good game at outside-right, and of the other forwards Lt. Pritam Nath was about the best.

Crosston and Ure, supporting Capt. Hook, made up a good half-back line, and Army were even stronger in the last line of defence where Stickley and Gusein Singh, the latter appearing in his first representative match, both tackled and cleared with precision. Dobson was sound in goal.

Lt. Pritam Nath opened the scoring about half way through the first half, and a second goal was scored by Shah Wali, giving Army a 2-0 lead at the interval.

Bickford scored for Club within a few minutes of the start of play in the second half, and further goals were scored by Lt. Pritam Nath, Bickford and Partaub Singh.

### THE TEAMS

The teams were:  
Hongkong Hockey Club: V. M. Benwell, B. Yourieff and E. V. Reed; J. W. Pennington, W. A. Reed and N. B. M. Whitley; S. A. Fowler, T. S. D. Whitley, G. H. Fowler, B. I. Bickford and R. A. Bates.

Army: L/Sgt. Dobson (R.E.); Pte. Stickley (M'sex); and Gusein Singh (K.R.); Sgt. Ure (M'sex), Captain G. W. Hook (R.A.) and Sgt. Crosston (R.E.); Shah Wali (R.R.); Sgt. Hornburg (R.E.); Lt. Pritam Nath (R.R.); Nerrin Singh (K.R.) and Partaub Singh (K.R.).

## WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory  
10 a.m., March 27.  
Barometer, (at sea level), 30.23 ins.  
Temperature, 65° F.  
Humidity, 74 per cent.  
Wind Direction, E/N.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.  
Temperature, maximum yesterday 87° F.  
Temperature, minimum last night 60° F.  
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, nil.  
Total rainfall since January 1st 9.48 ins.  
Against an average of 5.38 ins.  
Sunset tonight, 6.37 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 6.20 a.m.  
4 p.m., March 27.  
Barometer (at sea level), 30.11 ins.  
Temperature, 64° F.  
Humidity, 75 per cent.  
Wind Direction, E/S.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.  
Maximum temperature, 66° F.  
Minimum temperature, 60° F.  
Rainfall, nil.

### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 28 Mar. to 3 Apr. 1940.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Time	Height	Time
Thurs. 28	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
	00.50	5.2	03.35
	12.08	8.6	19.00
Fri. 29	01.55	4.6	06.06
	12.50	8.6	20.06
Sat. 30	03.14	4.3	06.35
	13.42	8.1	21.22
Sun. 31	04.47	4.1	07.15
	15.00	6.9	22.52
Mon. 1	06.20	4.4	08.38
	16.30	5.7	23.58
Tues. 2	07.25	4.0	11.06
	17.50	5.7	—
Wed. 3	07.55	4.8	09.44
	18.55	5.8	12.22

## Puppet Has Strangely Little To Say After Nanking Huddle

PEIPING, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Wang Keh-min gave an interview to foreign correspondents yesterday on his return from Nanking. Wang appeared in unusually good spirits, as if highly satisfied with his trip to the south, but for a person who had agreed to cancel his former independent status, his Peiping Provisional Government, he had strangely little to say regarding future arrangements.

According to his statement, only the date and place for the organisation of the new Government were discussed in Nanking.

Replying to questions, he stated that it was unlikely that there would be any change in the personnel of the northern administration.

He declared that foreign affairs would be handled by the Central Government and that nothing had been settled regarding the status of the new Chinese armies in North China.

## POOR RESPONSE FOR WANG

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27 (Central).—There is poor response to Wang Ching-wei's promise of the enforcement of "Constitutional Government" at the so-called Central Political Conference in Nanking last week, says a Shanghai report.

The promise is generally considered as an inducement for his fellow-countrymen's support of his "peace movement" and the bogus Central Government which is scheduled to be formed on March 31.

A so-called Association for the Promotion of Constitutional Government has been organised by Wang Ching-wei. It is seeking the signatures of different Chinese bodies on a statement in support of "Constitutional Government" but, practically all they have approached so far have flatly rejected to sign.

## CHINA'S HARVEST IN 1939

CHUNGKING, Mar. 26 (Central).—Agricultural products in 14 provinces registered an increase last year, according to statistics released by the National Agricultural Research Bureau.

Altogether 569 hsien or counties were surveyed in 14 provinces, namely, Ninghsia, Chinghai, Kansu and Shensi in the Northwest; Honan, Hupeh, Hunan and Kiangsi in Central China; Chekiang, Fukien and Kwangtung along the coast and Szechwan, Yunnan and Kweichow in the Southwest.

The total amounts of crops are as follows: Rice (ordinary) 717,552,000 piculs; rice (glutinous) 58,715,000 piculs; kaoliang 36,656,000 piculs; millet (ordinary) 25,982,000 piculs; millet (glutinous) 10,889,000 piculs; corn 69,493,000 piculs; soy bean 40,080,000 piculs; sweet potato 280,154,000 piculs; cotton 5,773,000 piculs; peanuts 19,577,000 piculs; sesame seeds 7,296,000 piculs; tobacco 16,123,000 piculs; wheat 194,221,000 piculs; and barley 90,159,000 piculs.

## LIBERAL GOVT. RETURN

OTTAWA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Canadian press has conceded the return of a Liberal Government.

Mr. Manion, Leader of the Conservative Party, has been defeated by the Liberal candidate, Rev. Dan McIvor, at Fort William, Ontario. The re-election of Mr. Michaud, Minister for Fisheries, is indicated at Restigouche, in the Madawaska Constituency, New Brunswick.

### EASY VICTORY

Mr. Rogers had an easy victory over the Conservative candidate, Mr. H. A. Kidd. This result is regarded as significant, since the Conservatives campaigned against Mr. Rogers' conduct of the war throughout the Dominion.

The re-election of Mr. Edger, Minister of Trade and Commerce, in the Waterloo North Constituency, Ontario, is indicated by votes hitherto counted.

Mr. McLarty, Minister of Labour, has been re-elected for Essex, East Ontario, and Mr. G. D. Howe, Minister of Transport, for Port Arthur, Ontario, while Mr. P. J. Cardin, Minister of Public Works, has been re-elected for Richieu Vercheres, Quebec.

A stag escaped from Bushey Park and took shelter in a garden in Strawberry Hill road, Twickenham, after a chase of four miles. The animal jumped fences and rushed from garden to garden. Keepers from Bushey Park tried to catch the animal by offering it food, but failed, and they had to shoot it.

## RANGERS' SCHEMING BEAT SOUTHEND

Q.P. Rangers 3 Southend 1. Queen's Park Rangers were clever schemers and their forwards were altogether faster on the ball. With Mallett in great form at inside right, they held the measure of Southend almost throughout.

Southend were the first to score, but it was only in defence that they proved any real match for their rivals.

Sibley got a fairly easy goal owing to a misunderstanding in the Rangers' defence ten minutes after the interval, but this was quickly followed by an equaliser from March.

Rangers had control for a long period after this, and within another ten minutes they scored twice in quick succession through Bonass and McEwan.

### PALACE TURN TABLES

Brighton 1 C. Palace 3. The Palace refused to be shaken out of their stride by an early reverse. They settled down, and gradually asserted the mastery in a fast and interesting game.

Brighton opened in promising fashion, the right wing being particularly industrious, and in five minutes Rusden gave them the lead.

Afterwards the Palace played progressive football, but Brighton defended well and kept the visitors at bay until the interval.

Half an hour after the resumption Robben headed the equalising goal from one of his centres.

Shortly afterwards Smith gave Palace the lead following a splendid individual effort, and Bark added a third.

### WEST HAM WIN POOR GAME

West Ham 2 Tottenham H. 0.

West Ham and the Spurs made an unimpressive start to the new competition, for the football was of poor quality.

The Hammers, however, were fully entitled to the points, for they had far more of the play and, but for poor finishing, would have won by a bigger score.

Foxall scored their first goal soon after the start, tapping a centre from Foreman into the net, and Barrett added the second before half-time with a tremendous shot from a free kick.

Hall (W. G.) was the most polished player in the game, but most of his neat touches were wasted in the 'Spurs' attack.

The form of Jim Barrett, West Ham's long-service half-back, was a revelation, for he was easily the best of the defenders.

### PRESTON AHEAD

Preston 3 Bury 2.

After 25 minutes Bury found themselves two goals down despite aggressive play by their own forwards. A free kick by Batey was unhelpfully deflected through by Robinson after seven minutes.

R. Beattie increased the lead after good work by F. O'Donnell. Preston's defence wavered under pressure, and Carter reduced the lead.

Preston were the more polished side, and F. O'Donnell scored after good work by Wharton.

Bury forced Preston to defend desperately. Williams, Gallimore, and Shandy were impressive under pressure.

Haltom scored for Bury with a splendid free kick.

Sir Leonard Woolley, the British archaeologist, told the British Society of Antiquaries how he discovered a 4,000-years-old palace and temple at Atchana, near Antioch, in Syria. "My thanks are due to the Turkish Foreign Minister. He was extremely kind, and always willing to help me," said Sir Leonard.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association will take place at the Registrar's Office, Supreme Court, at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon.

## FOREIGN MAILS

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Amoy	29th Mar.
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Shanghai	29th Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Mar.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	29th Mar.
Japan	30th Mar.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	30th Mar.
Manila	30th Mar.
Sandakan	30th Mar.
Shanghai	31st Mar.
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London date, 23rd March	31st Mar.
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Shanghai	31st Mar.
Japan	31st Mar.
Saigon	31st Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	31st Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	1st Apr.
Haiphong, Fort Bayard and Holhow	1st Apr.
Haiphong	1st Apr.
Straits	1st Apr.
Bangkok and Saigon	2nd Apr.
Shanghai	2nd Apr.
U. S. A. & Manila (San Francisco date, 28th Feb.)	2nd Apr.
Straits and Manila	2nd Apr.
Australia and Manila	2nd Apr.
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Shanghai	3rd Apr.
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Japan	4th Apr.
Australia and Manila	5th Apr.
Manila	5th Apr.
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Shanghai	2.30 PM
Amoy	7.00 PM
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Bangkok	Fri. 29th 1.30 PM
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	Par. 29th 5.00 PM
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Parcels only for Tientsin	2.00 PM
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	5.00 PM
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
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	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 7th April	Reg. 5.00 PM
Shanghai and Japan	Ord. 5.30 PM
<b>SUNDAY</b>	
Shanghai	Sun. 31st 9.00 AM
<b>MONDAY</b>	
	Mon. Apr. 1st K.P.O.
	Reg. 30/3 5.00 PM
	Ord. 30/3 5.30 PM
<b>G.P.O.</b>	
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 7th April	Reg. 30/3 5.00 PM
	Ord. 1/4 7.30 AM
Saigon	8.30 AM
Japan	10.30 AM
Haiphong	1.00 PM
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Canton	7.00 PM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	
Straits and Calcutta	Tue. 2nd 11.00 AM
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